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ELECTROCHEMICAL MATERIALS SCIENCE”**

# **The perspectives on fluoride phosphates cathode materials for metal-ion batteries**

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# Outline

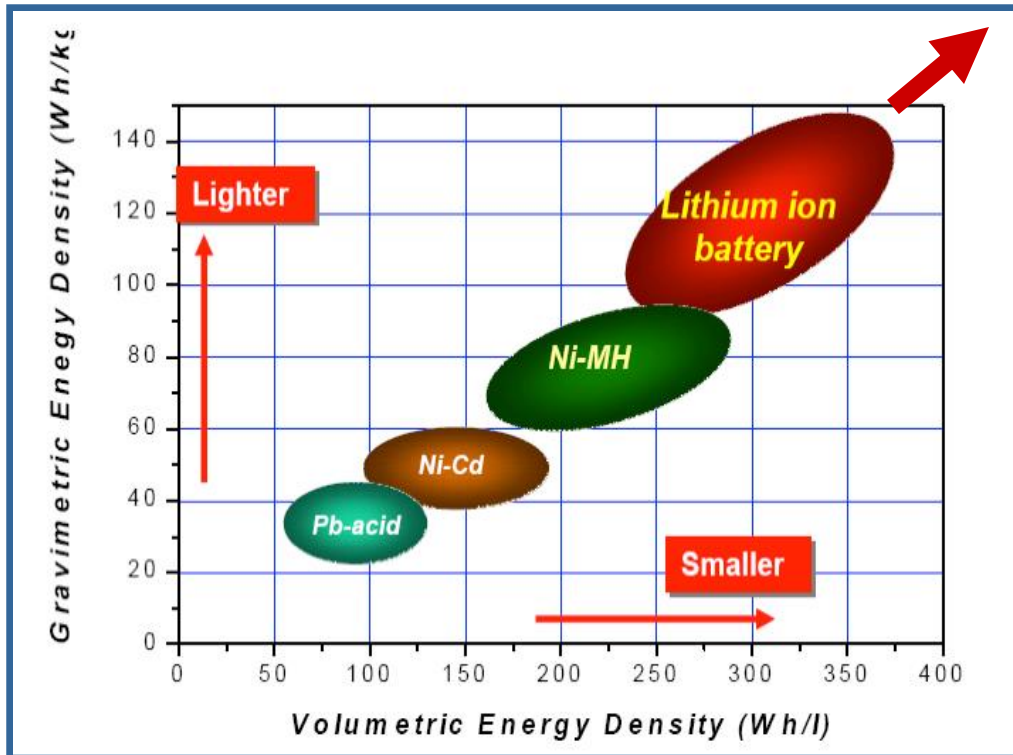
- Introduction
- Main types of cathode materials for LIB
- AMPO<sub>4</sub>F and A<sub>2</sub>MPO<sub>4</sub>F fluoride-phosphates
- Concluding remarks

1995: «Advances in battery research are always restricted by chemistry »

*R. E. Powers (N.Y. Times)*

**and Crystallography!**

# Energy storage systems



Stationary energy storage



HEV, EV



Consumer electronics

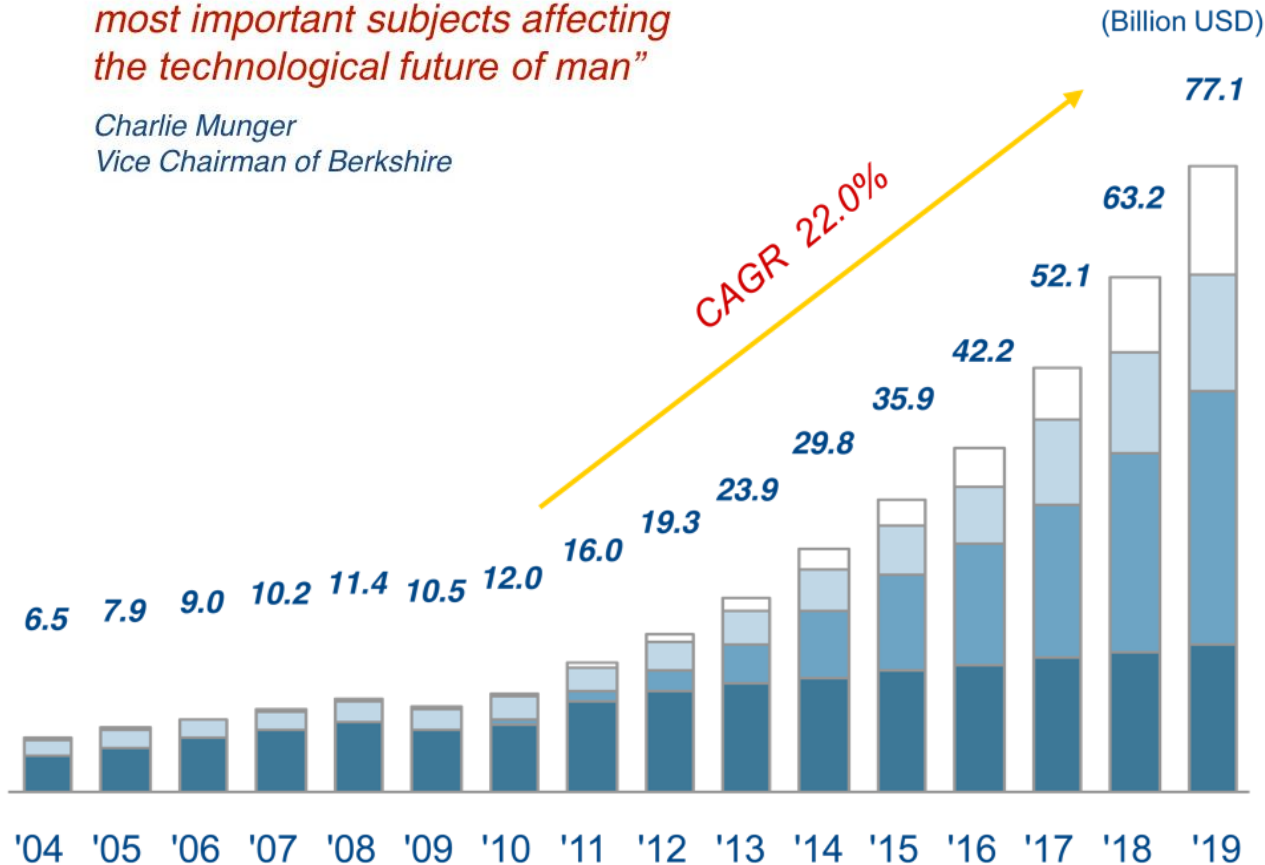


Increase of Energy and Power

# Perspectives for Li-ion batteries

*“Battery technology is one of the most important subjects affecting the technological future of man”*

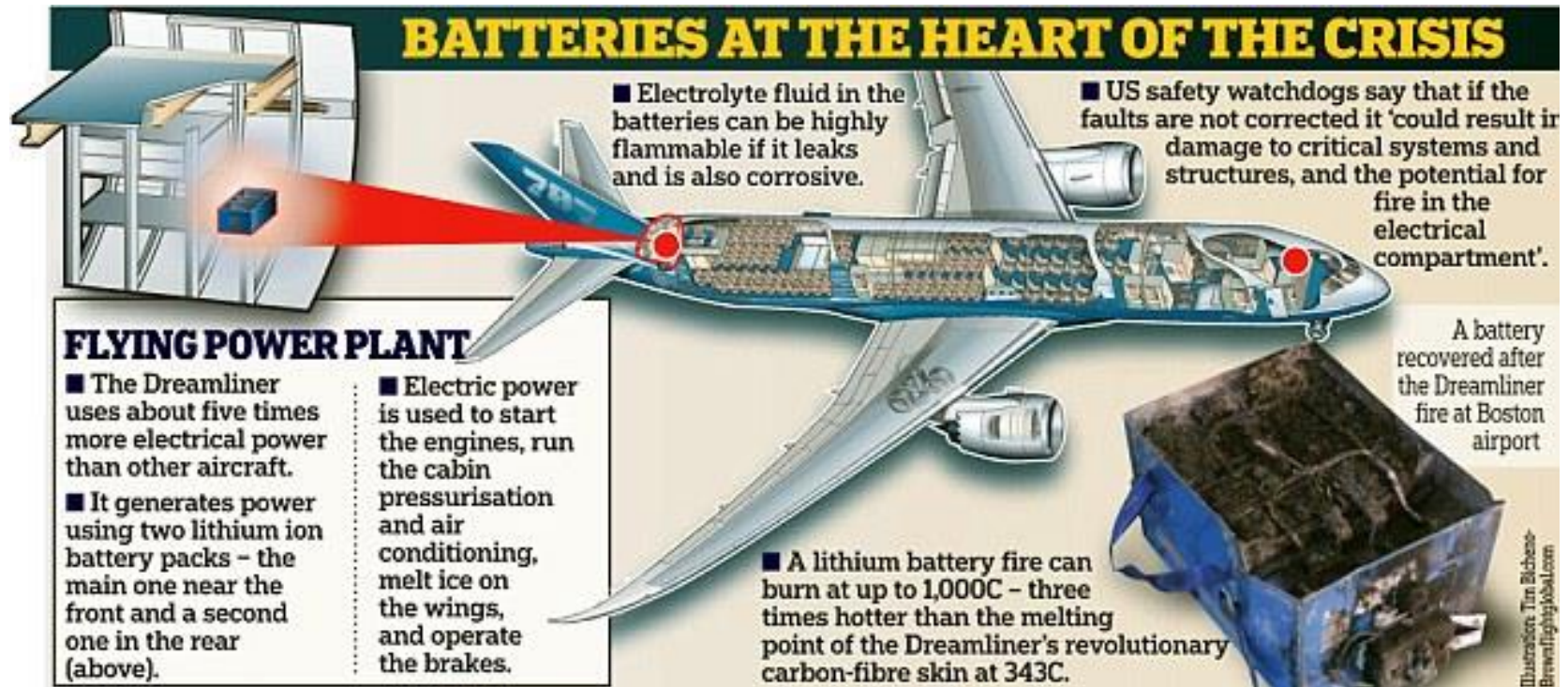
Charlie Munger  
Vice Chairman of Berkshire



	Share ('19)	CAGR ('09-'19)
<b>Robot</b>	17.6%	52.4%
<b>Storage</b>	18.5%	18.2%
<b><u>EV</u></b>	40.5%	79.8%
<b>IT</b>	23.3%	9.1%

Yunil HWANG, A. D. Little Korea, Korea, “Nano-enhanced Market Perspectives in Solar & Li-ion Battery” OECD workshop on “Nanotechnology for sustainable energy options”, 2010

# Safety problem



## BATTERIES AT THE HEART OF THE CRISIS

- Electrolyte fluid in the batteries can be highly flammable if it leaks and is also corrosive.
- US safety watchdogs say that if the faults are not corrected it 'could result in damage to critical systems and structures, and the potential for fire in the electrical compartment'.

### FLYING POWER PLANT

- The Dreamliner uses about five times more electrical power than other aircraft.
- It generates power using two lithium ion battery packs - the main one near the front and a second one in the rear (above).
- Electric power is used to start the engines, run the cabin pressurisation and air conditioning, melt ice on the wings, and operate the brakes.
- A lithium battery fire can burn at up to 1,000C - three times hotter than the melting point of the Dreamliner's revolutionary carbon-fibre skin at 343C.

A battery recovered after the Dreamliner fire at Boston airport

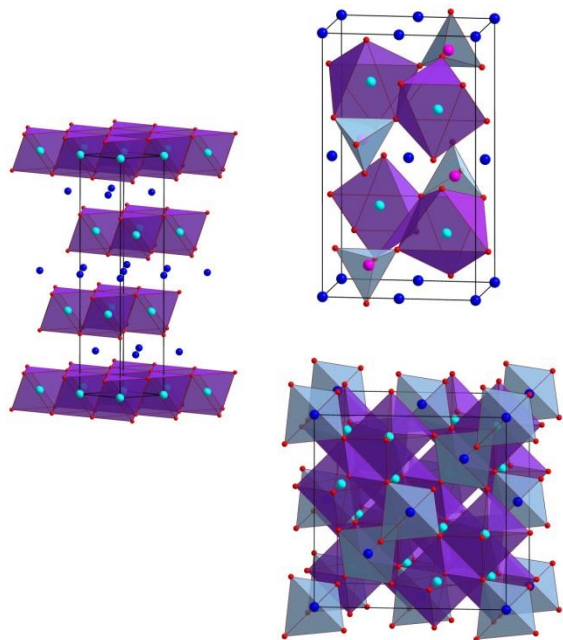
Illustration: Tim Bicheno-Brewer@flightglobal.com

*Daily Mail, 20.01.2013*

# Impact of crystallography

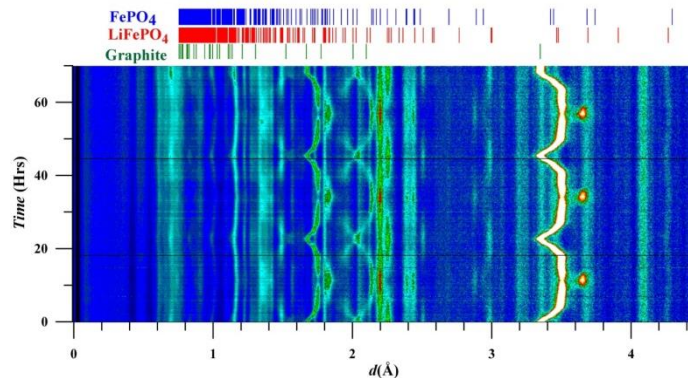
## Design of new structures:

- crystal chemistry concepts
- data mining
- *ab initio* structure predictions



## Crystallographic aspects of electrochemical reactions:

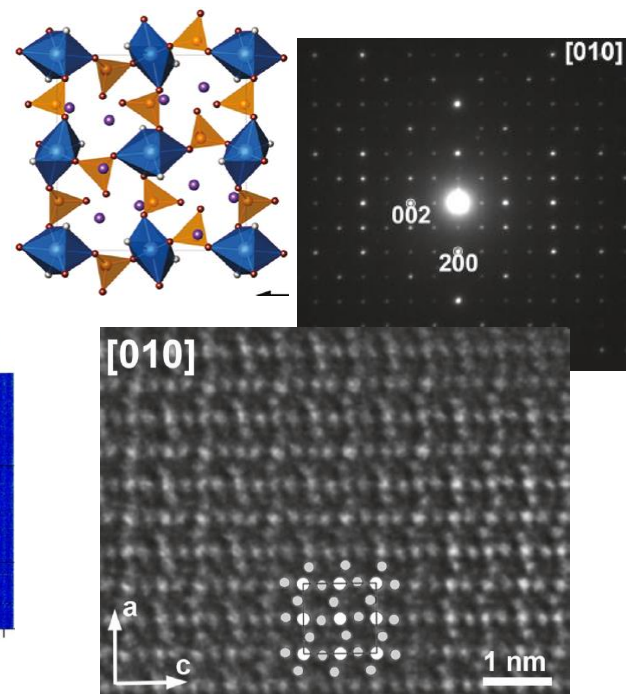
- *in situ* and *ex situ* X-ray and neutron diffraction studies
- spectroscopic methods (EXAFS, XPS, XANES etc)
- microstructure evolution



I.A. Bobrikov et al.,  
*J. Power Soc.* 258 (2014) 356

## Electrochemical processes on atomic scale:

- *ex situ* electron diffraction (PED) studies, atomic resolution TEM imaging and spectroscopy
- *in situ* TEM



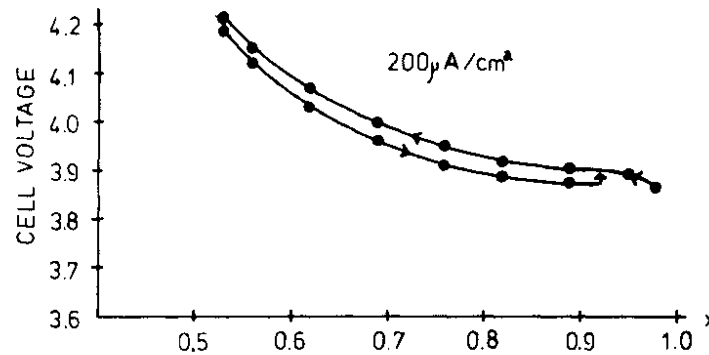
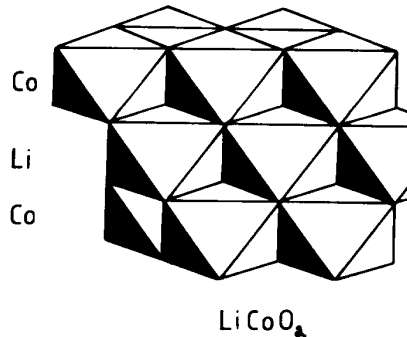
J. Hadermann et al.,  
*Chem. Mat.* 23 (2011) 3540

# Main discovery

Mat. Res. Bull., Vol. 15, pp. 783-789, 1980. Printed in the USA.  
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$\text{Li}_x\text{CoO}_2$  ( $0 < x \leq 1$ ): A NEW CATHODE MATERIAL FOR BATTERIES OF HIGH ENERGY DENSITY

K. Mizushima, P.C. Jones, P.J. Wiseman and J.B. Goodenough  
Inorganic Chemistry Laboratory, South Parks Road, Oxford, OX1 3QR



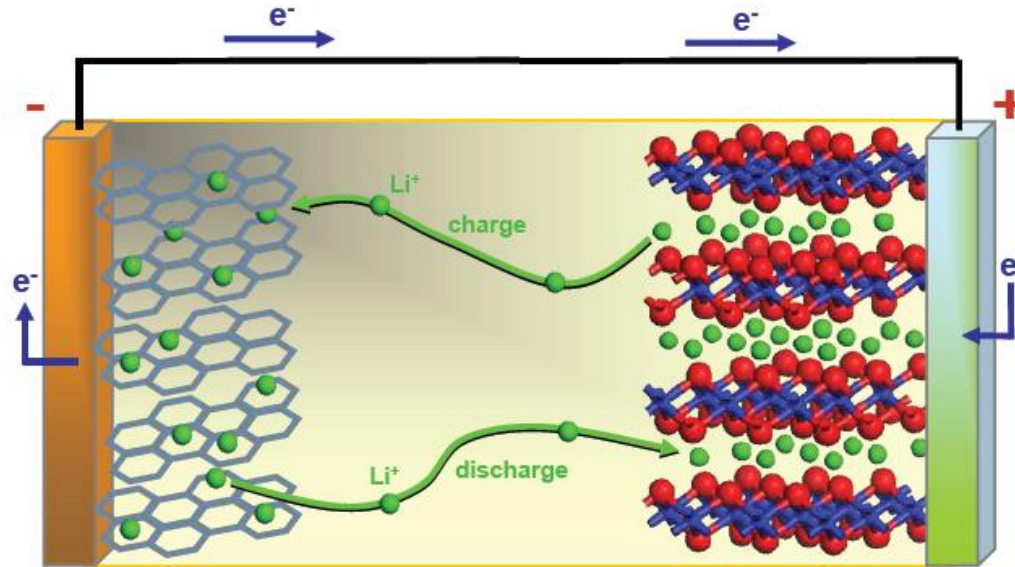
thetic route requires use of a starting high-temperature material that allows low-temperature extraction of lithium. The resultant phase need not necessarily be thermodynamically stable.

Examination of the known  $\text{Li}^+$ -ion solid

# Li-ion battery

Concept (1980)

Commercialization: Sony (1990)



$\text{Li}_x\text{C}_6$  graphite    $\text{Li}^+$ -conducting electrolyte    $\text{LiMO}_2$



**Voltage: 3.6 V**    $E^\circ (\text{cathodic}) - E^\circ (\text{anodic}) = E^\circ (\text{cell})$

Electrolyte - salts:  $\text{LiPF}_6$ ,  $\text{LiBF}_4$  ( $\text{LiClO}_4$ ,  $\text{LiAsF}_6$ ),  $\text{LiCF}_3\text{SO}_3$   
 - solvents: EC, PC, DMC, DEC

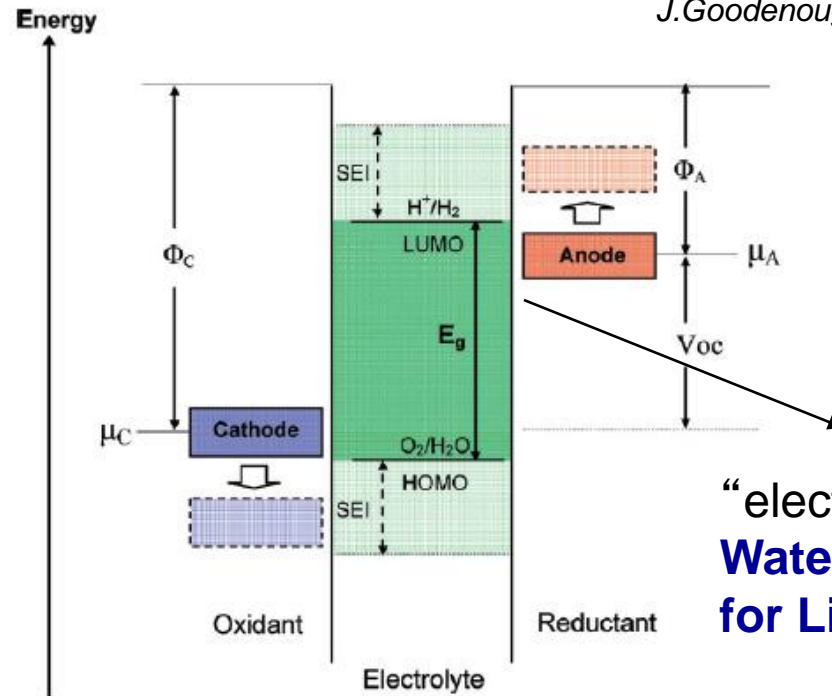
**1M  $\text{LiPF}_6$  in EC/DEC/DMC**

$$E_g(\text{gravimetric}) = C_g (\text{charge transferred between two electrodes per unit weight}) \times E^\circ (\text{cell})$$



# Why Li ?

*J. Goodenough & Y. Kim, Chem.Mat. 22 (2010) 587*



“electrolyte window”  
Water – 1.23 V,  
for Li-electrolytes – up to 4 V

- 1) Larger “electrolyte window”  $\longrightarrow$  higher specific energy
- 2) Weak Li-O bonds  $\longrightarrow$  high Li-ion conductivity
- 3) Low size  $\longrightarrow$  mechanical stability

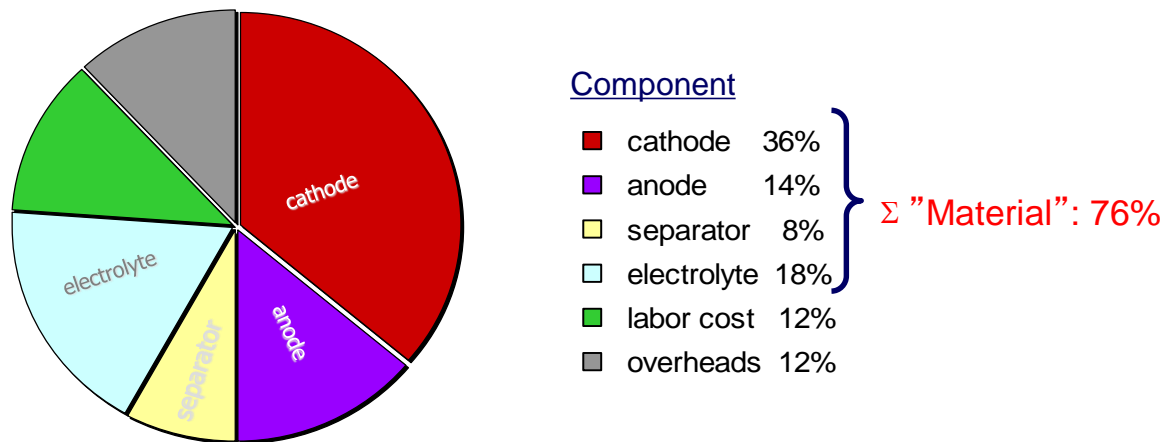
# Cathode materials: importance

The energy density of a battery is the product of its capacity and its potential, and is mainly governed by the capacity of the positive electrode. Simple calculations show that an increase in cell energy density of 57 per cent can be achieved by doubling the capacity of the positive electrode, while one needs to increase the capacity of the negative electrode by a factor of 10 to get an overall cell energy density increase of 47 per cent (Tarascon 2002).

Tarascon, J.-M. 2002 *Actualité Chimique* 251, 130–137.

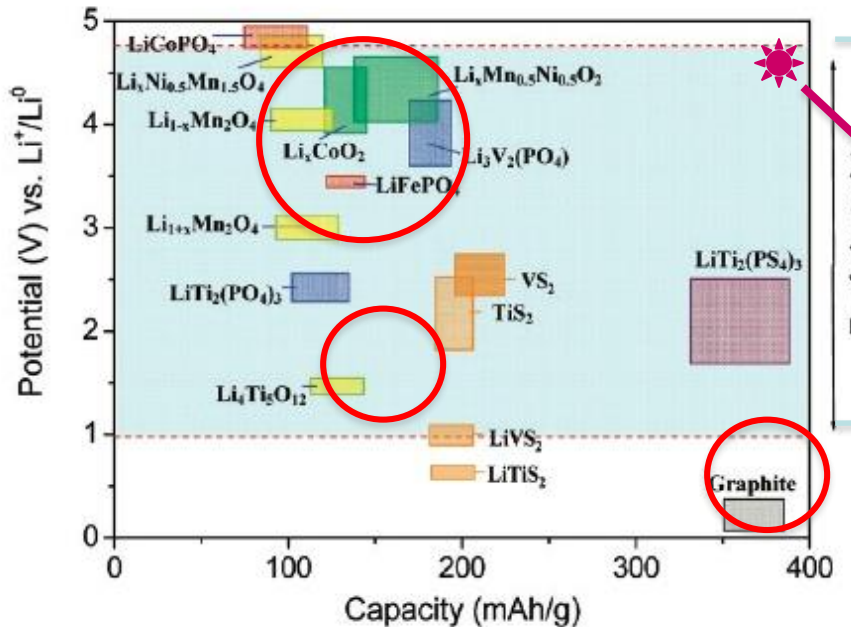
*"Cost of Lithium-Ion Batteries for Vehicles" – ANL Report*

Li-ion battery fabrication costs based on a LiCoO<sub>2</sub>-type cathode:



# Selection of Electrode Material

*J. Goodenough & Y. Kim, Chem. Mat. 22 (2010) 587*



**$\text{H}_2\text{O} - 1.23 \text{ V}$ ,  
Li-electrolyte – up to 4 V**

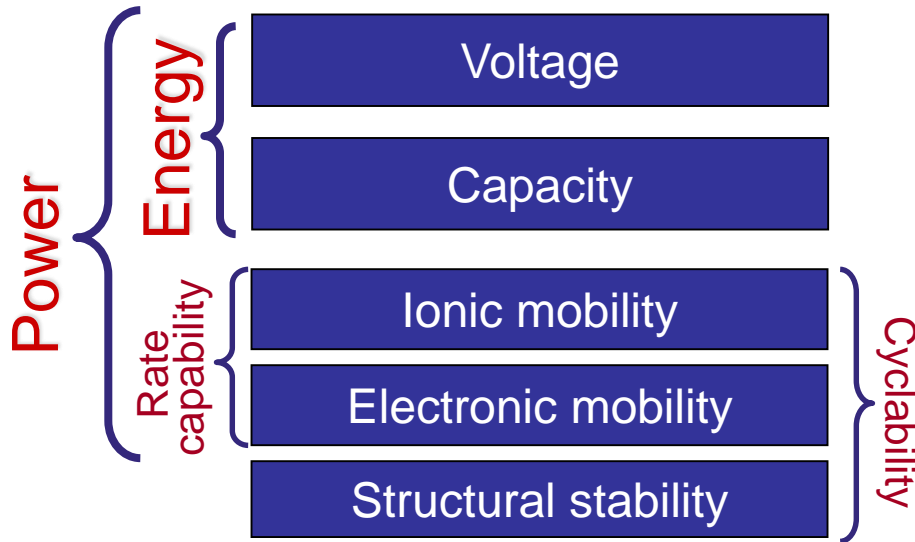
Electrolyte window  
(Oxidation and reduction  
of electrolyte outside the window)

**How to reach this  
value?**

To increase specific energy  $\longrightarrow$  to higher cathode potential and capacity

To increase power  $\longrightarrow$  to higher Li-ion diffusion rate

# Cathode materials: characteristics and requirements



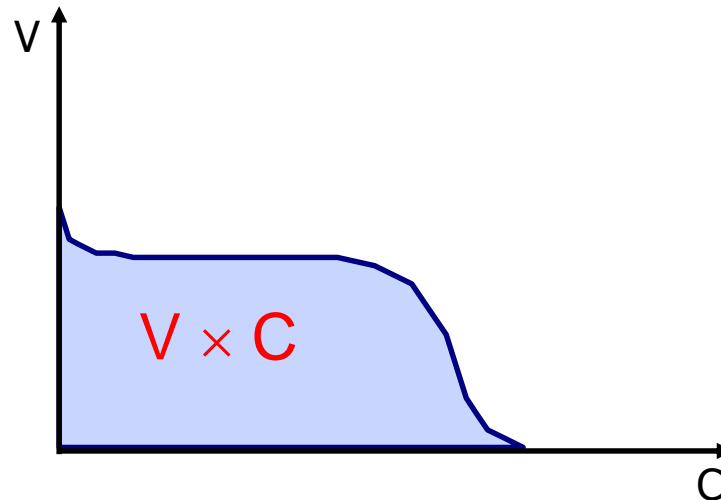
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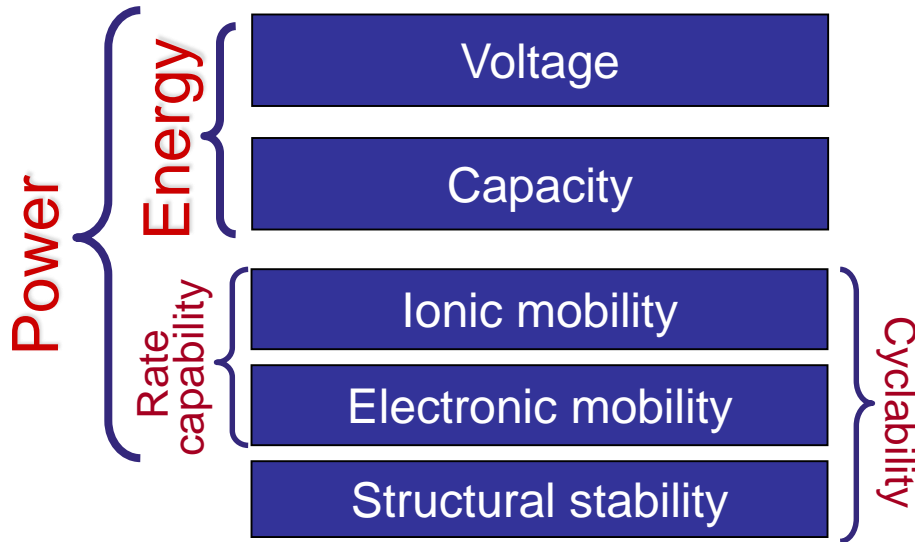
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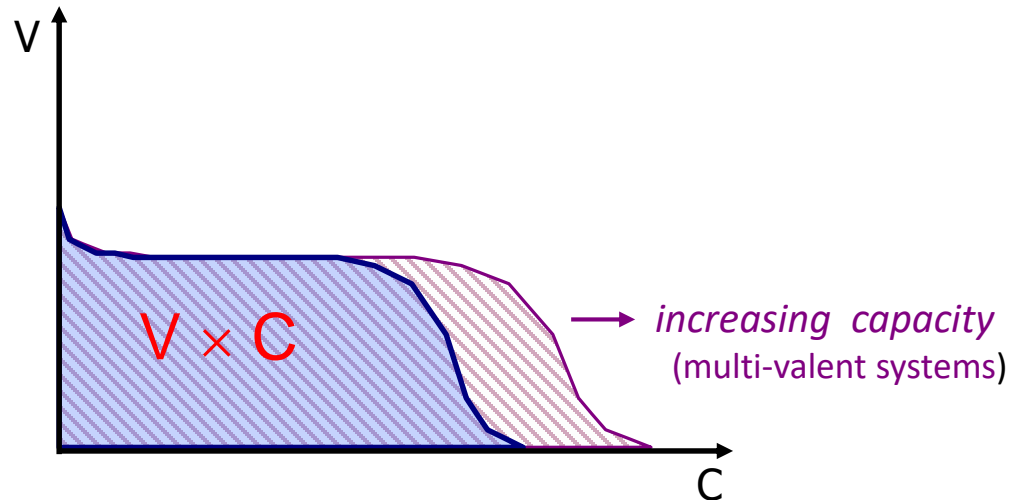


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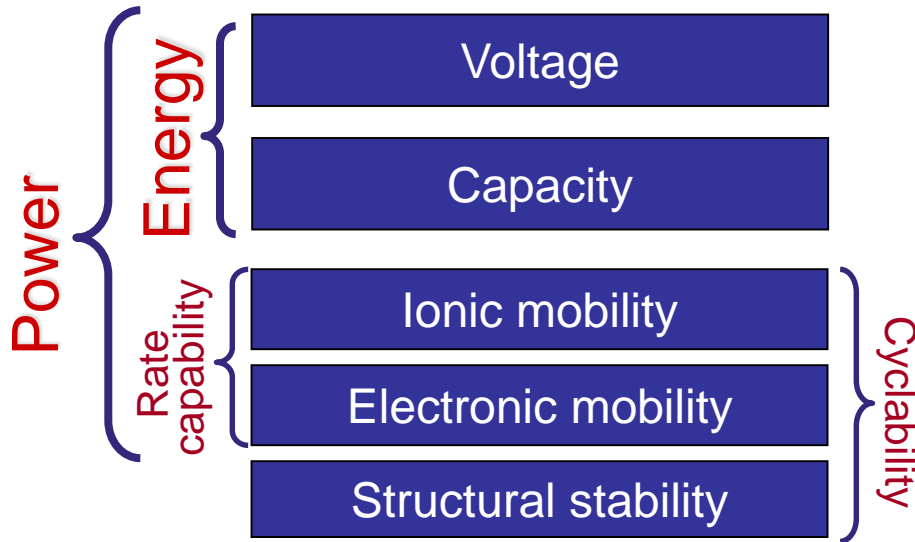
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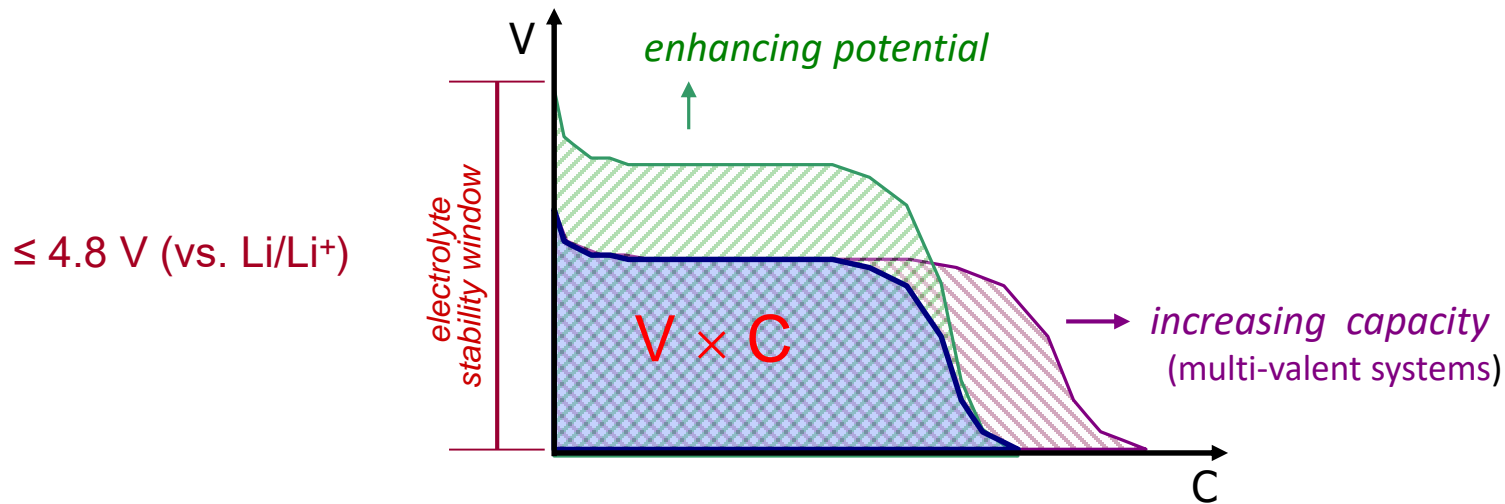


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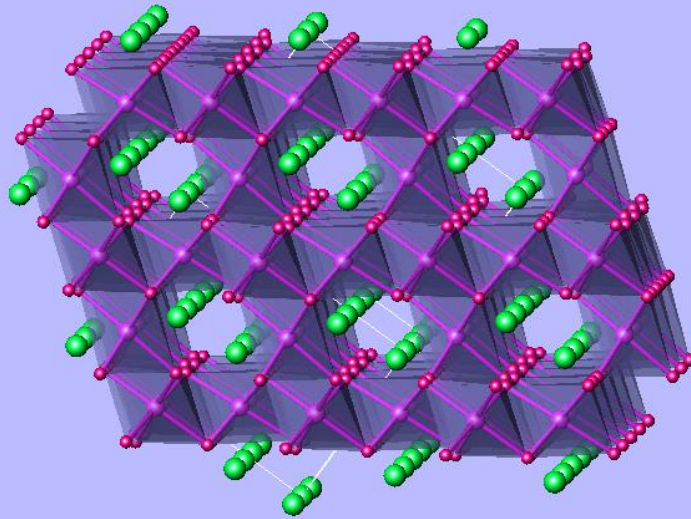
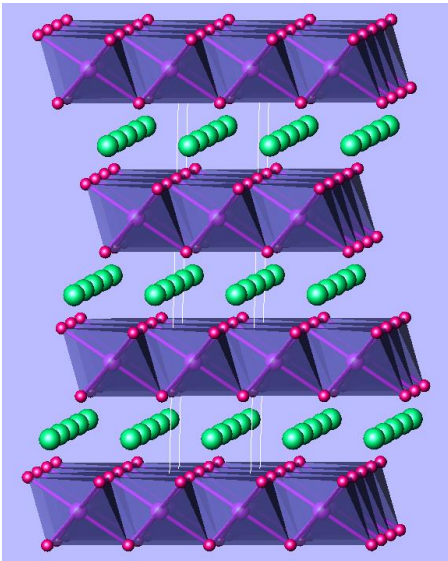
# Selection of composition

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Д.И. МЕНДЕЛЕЕВА

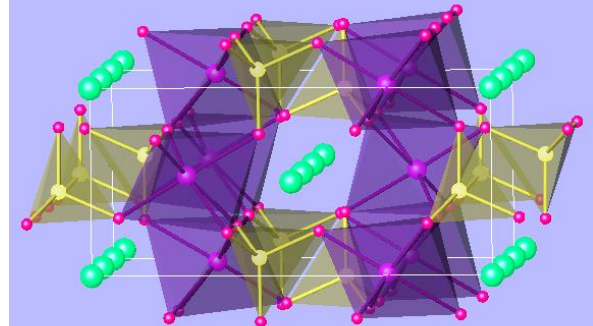
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2	<b>Li</b> 3 ЛИТИЙ	<b>Be</b> 4 БЕРИЛЛИЙ	<b>B</b> 5 БОР	<b>C</b> 6 УГЛЕРОД	<b>N</b> 7 АЗОТ	<b>O</b> 8 КИСЛОРОД	<b>F</b> 9 ФТОР	<b>Ne</b> 10 НЕОН						
3	<b>Na</b> 11 НАТРИЙ	<b>Mg</b> 12 МАГНИЙ	<b>Al</b> 13 АЛЮМИНИЙ	<b>Si</b> 14 КРЕМНИЙ	<b>P</b> 15 ФOSФОР	<b>S</b> 16 СЕРА	<b>Cl</b> 17 ХЛОР	<b>Ar</b> 18 АРГОН						
4	<b>K</b> 19 КАЛИЙ	<b>Ca</b> 20 КАЛЬЦИЙ	<b>Sc</b> 21 СКАНДИЙ	<b>Ti</b> 22 ТИТАН	<b>V</b> 23 ВАНАДИЙ	<b>Cr</b> 24 ХРОМ	<b>Mn</b> 25 МАРГАНЕЦ	<b>Fe</b> 26 ЖЕЛЕЗО	<b>Co</b> 27 КОБАЛЬТ	<b>Ni</b> 28 НИКЕЛЬ				
5	<b>Rb</b> 37 РУБИДИЙ	<b>Sr</b> 38 СТРОНЦИЙ	<b>Y</b> 39 ИТРИЙ	<b>Zr</b> 40 ЦИРКОНИЙ	<b>Nb</b> 41 НИОБИЙ	<b>Mo</b> 42 МОЛИБДЕН	<b>Tc</b> 43 ТЕХНЕЦИЙ	<b>Ru</b> 44 РУТЕНИЙ	<b>Rh</b> 45 РОДИЙ	<b>Pd</b> 46 ПАЛЛАДИЙ				
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# Main Structure Types



Cubic close packing



Hexagonal close packing

$C_t$	278 mAh/g ( $0.5C_t$ )	148 mAh/g	170 mAh/g
$E_g$	556 Wh/kg	592 Wh/kg	583 Wh/kg
$\sigma$	$10^{-3}$ S/cm	$10^{-5}$ S/cm	$10^{-9}$ S/cm
$D$	$10^{-9}$ cm <sup>2</sup> /s	$10^{-10}$ cm <sup>2</sup> /s	$10^{-15}$ cm <sup>2</sup> /s



# Polyanion cathodes

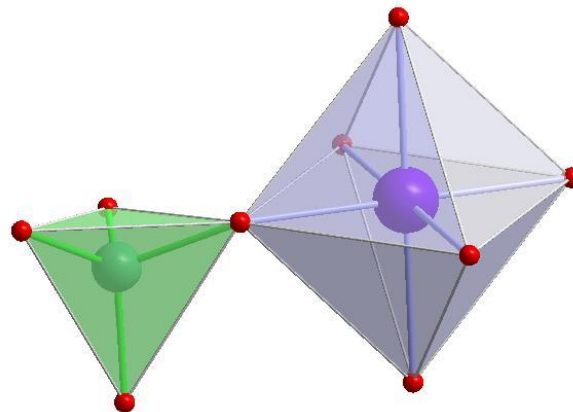
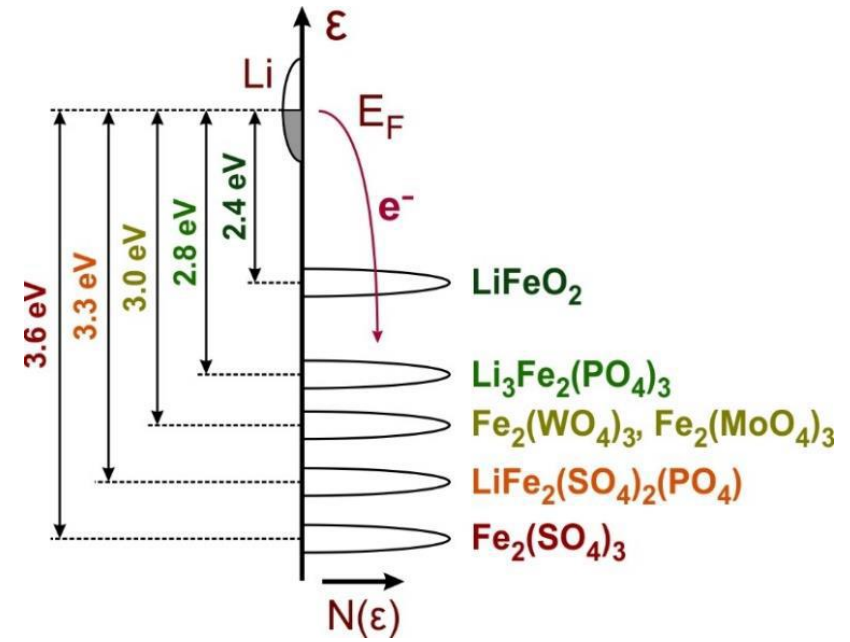
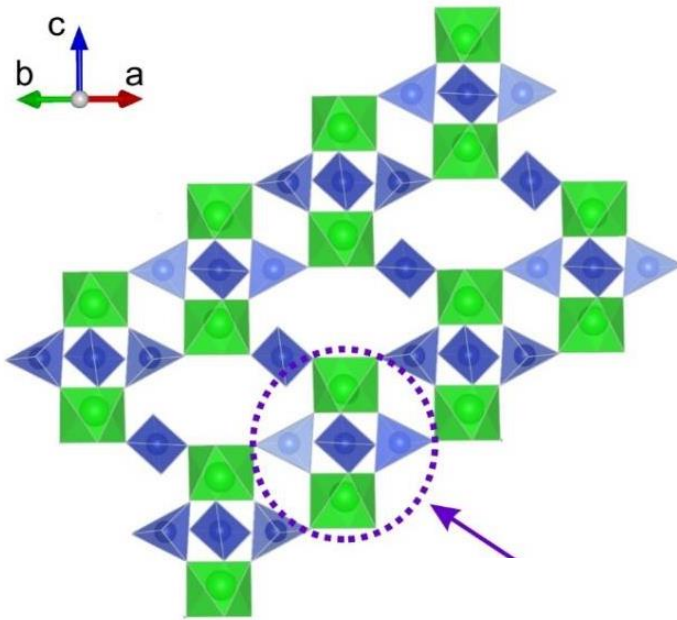
## Advantages:

- greater chemical and thermal stability, which provides reliable long-term electrochemical cycling and allows them to be used in large-sized batteries
- a rich variety of crystal structures – larger playground for various substitutions
- the inductive effect**, leading to a significant increase of the redox potential  $M^{n+}/M^{(n-1)+}$

## Drawbacks:

- Larger molecular weight – smaller capacity
- More sophisticated synthesis

# The inductive effect

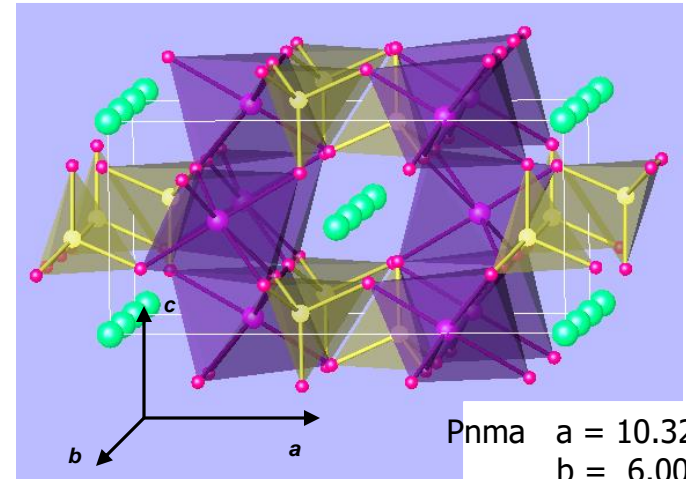


# LiFePO<sub>4</sub> - olivine

$c_t = 170 \text{ mAh/g}$ ;  $E \sim 3.5 \text{ V}$

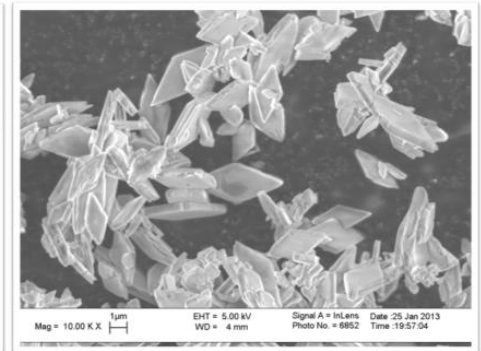
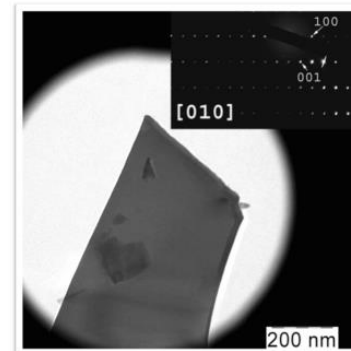
## Advantages:

- stable material (3D structure + PO<sub>4</sub>)  
 $\text{LiFePO}_4 \leftrightarrow \text{FePO}_4 + \text{Li}^+ + \text{e}^-$
- ecologically friendly
- cheap

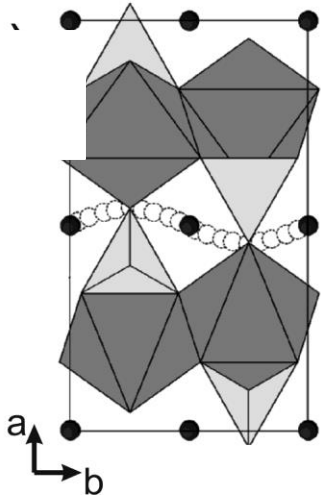


## Disadvantages:

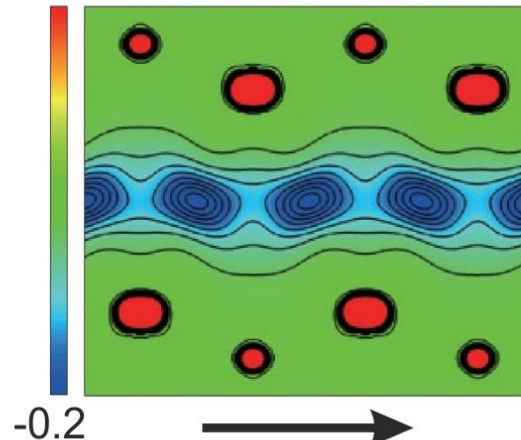
- low electronic conductivity  $\sim 10^{-9} \text{ S/cm}$
- low  $D \sim 10^{-15} \text{ cm}^2/\text{s}$  ( $t \approx r^2/D$ )/  
2-phase mechanism
- low density
- medium potential  
(for phases with Mn = 4.2 V, Co = 4.9 V)



# Li-ion diffusion pathway

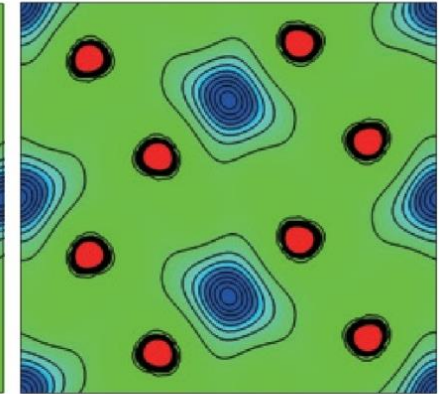


0.2 fm  $\text{\AA}^{-3}$



[010] - direction

${}^7\text{Li}_{0.6}\text{FePO}_4$  (620 K)



[010] - direction

**MD** (M.S. Islam et al. *Chem. Mater.* 17 (2005) 5085)

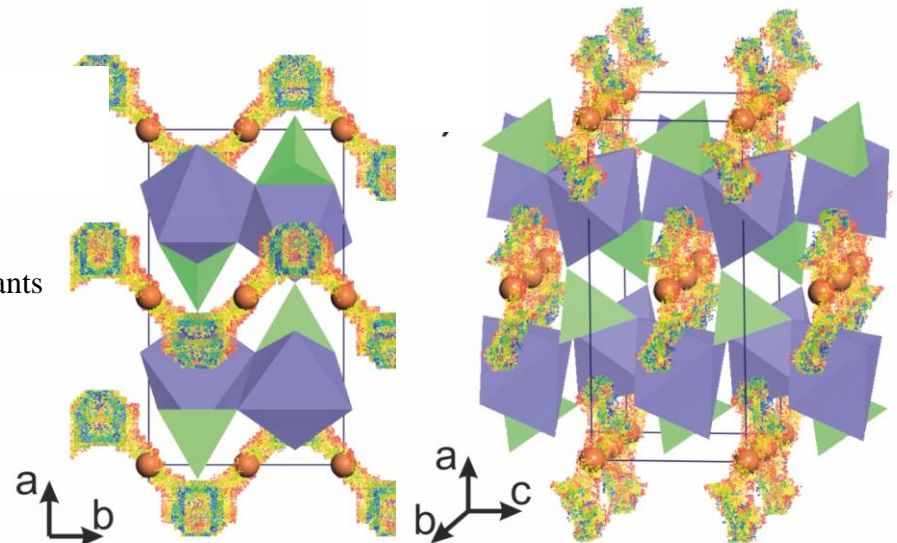
**NPD/MEM**: S.I. Nishimura et al. *Nature Materials* 7 (2008) 707

## BVS mapping with 3DBVSMAPPER program

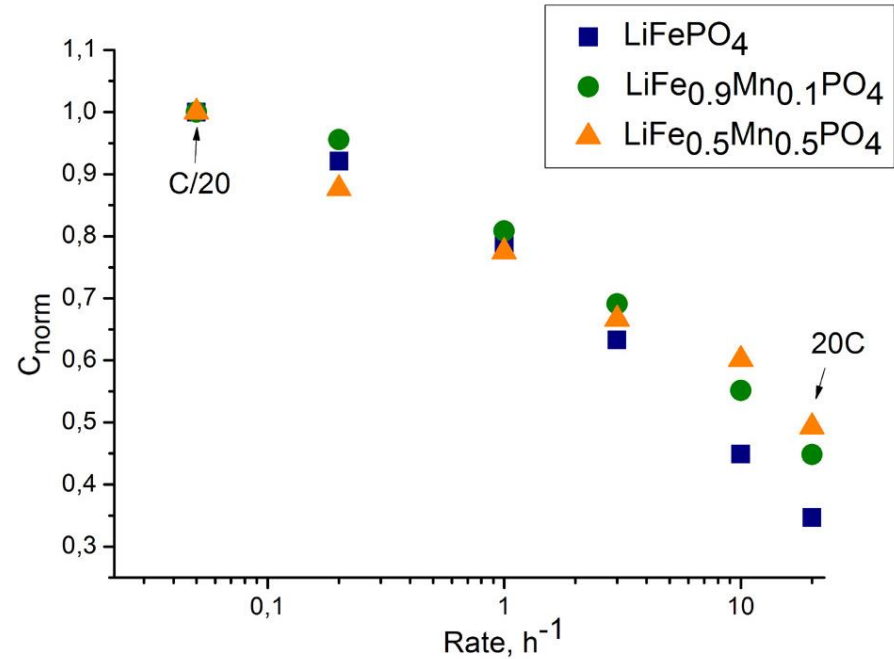
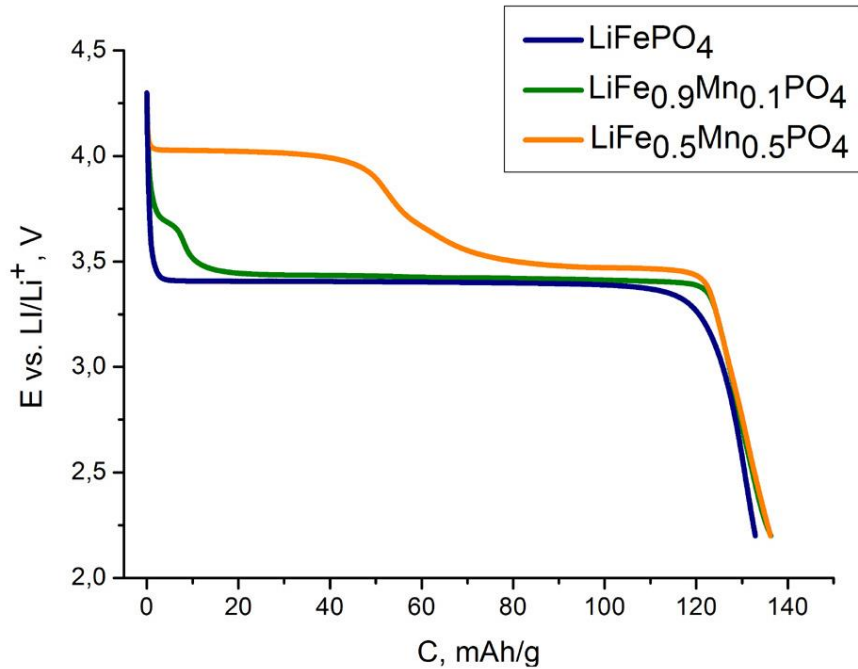
$$BVS = \sum_{j=1}^N \left[ \exp\left(\frac{R_o - d_j}{b}\right) \right]$$

$d_j$  - bond distance,  
 $R_o, b$  - tabular constants

M. Sale, M. Avdeev, *J. Appl. Cryst.* 45(2012),1054



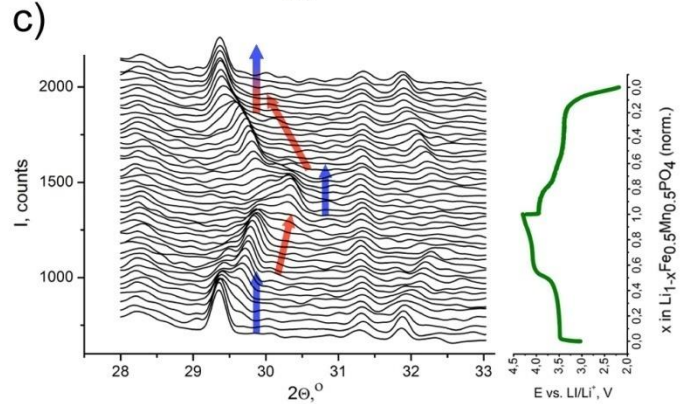
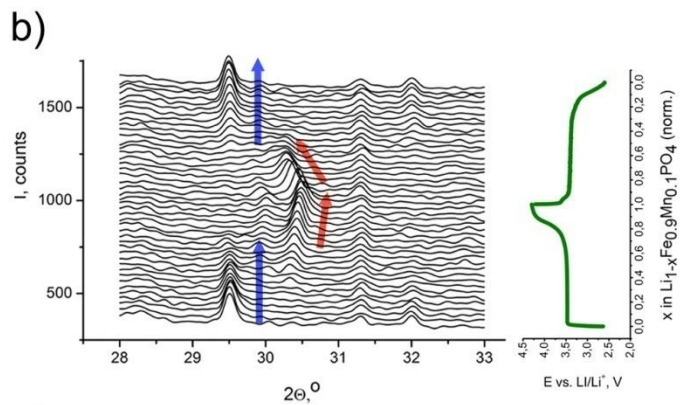
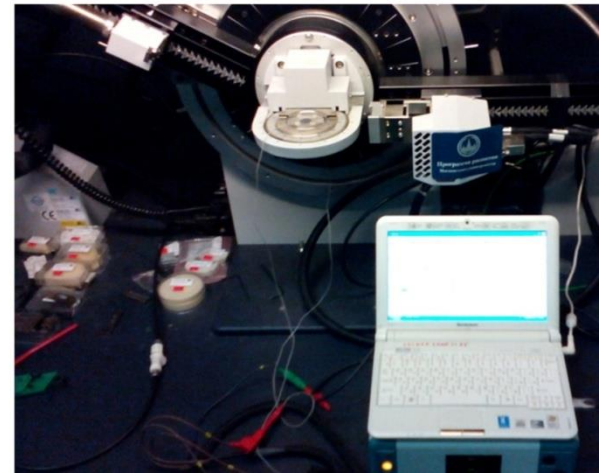
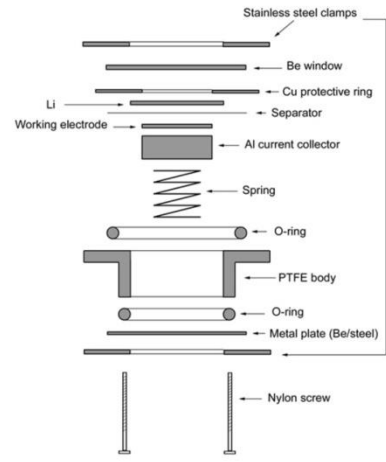
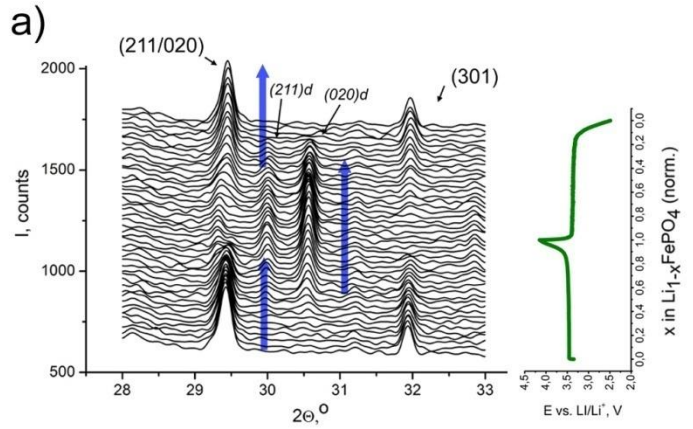
# $\text{Li}_{1-x}\text{Fe}_{1-y}\text{Mn}_y\text{PO}_4$ : influence of cation substitutions



LiMPO<sub>4</sub>:C:PVDF = 75:15:10, 1M LiPF<sub>6</sub> in EC:DMC = 1:1

Increasing electrochemical capacity at high discharge rates (10C, 20C) with increasing Mn content

# In situ XRPD



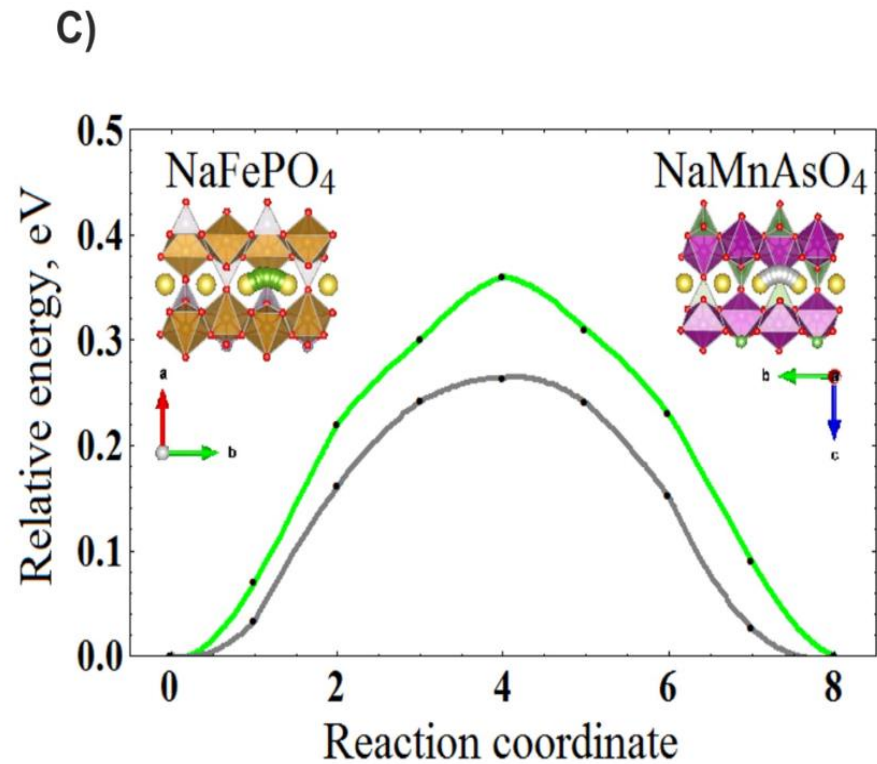
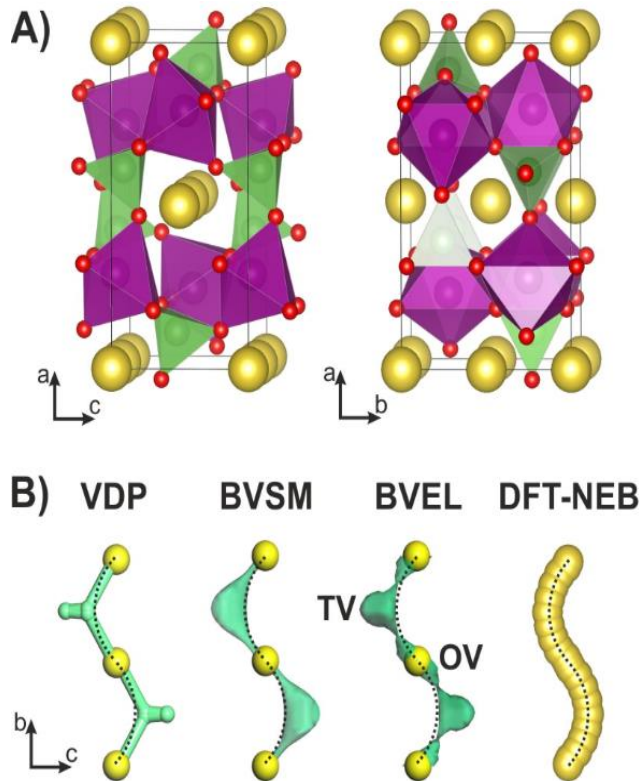
a) For  $\text{Li}_{1-x}\text{FePO}_4$ , almost whole process of is two-phase (LFP and FP)

b) For  $\text{Li}_{1-x}\text{Fe}_{0.9}\text{Mn}_{0.1}\text{PO}_4$ , Li-deficient phase exhibits solid solution region  $\text{LxFMP}$  for  $\Delta x$  appr. 0.2-0.3 per f.u.

c) For  $\text{Li}_{1-x}\text{Fe}_{0.5}\text{Mn}_{0.5}\text{PO}_4$ , **charge:**  
(two-phase region between LFMP and  $\text{LxFMP}$ )  $\rightarrow$  (solid solution  $\text{LxFMP}$ )  $\rightarrow$  (two-phase region between  $\text{LxFMP}$  and FMP).

**discharge:**  
similar picture, but noticeable increase in the extent of the single-phase region is detected

# Na-based olivines



$E_a$  for  $\text{NaFePO}_4$  (maricite) 2.11 eV

# Crystallochemical tools in search for cathode materials of rechargeable Na-ion batteries and analysis of their transport properties

94. Na <sub>3</sub> Fe <sub>3</sub> (PO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>4</sub>		<i>C2/c</i>	95532	130	+	<i>Fedotov S.S.. et al. submitted SSI</i>
95. Na <sub>4</sub> M <sub>3</sub> (PO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> (P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>7</sub> )	Fe	<i>Pn2<sub>1</sub>a</i>	236316	170	+	
96.	Co		82116	169		
97.	Mn		92836	172		
98.	Ni		82713	170		
99. Na <sub>2</sub> MP <sub>2</sub> O <sub>7</sub>	Mn	<i>P1</i>	187790	194	+	
100	Co		71229	193		
101 Na <sub>2</sub> M(SO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	Co	<i>C2/c</i>	194629	180	+	
102	Ni		194630	181		
103 Na <sub>6</sub> Fe <sub>2</sub> (SO <sub>4</sub> )(CO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>4</sub>		<i>Fd<math>\bar{3}</math></i>	20169	183		
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105 Na <sub>4</sub> NiP <sub>2</sub> O <sub>7</sub> F <sub>2</sub>		<i>Imma</i>	251666	148	+	

Table 4. Calculated BVS mismatch values and activation energies for some selected and reference materials.

Material	CC	Theoretical capacity, mAh/g	BVS mismatch (BVSM), $\pm$ v.u.	Activation energy, E <sub>a</sub> (BVEL), eV	Migration map dimensionality	
					VDP	BV
NaFePO <sub>4</sub> maricite*	85671	154	1.32	8.94	-	2D
NaFePO <sub>4</sub> olivine	169118	154	0.35	1.25	1D	1D
NaMnPO <sub>4</sub> olivine	36249	155	0.30	1.30	1D	1D
NaMnAsO <sub>4</sub> olivine	95087	124	0.22	1.22	1D	1D
NaFeSO <sub>4</sub> F*	290051	138	0.92	5.14	-	1D
O3-Na <sub>0.921</sub> CoO <sub>2</sub> *	155498	218	0.67	3.76	2D	2D
P2-NaCoO <sub>2</sub>	246585	237	0.29	0.72	2D	2D
O3-Na <sub>0.667</sub> Mn <sub>0.5</sub> Fe <sub>0.5</sub> O <sub>2</sub> *	420380	162	0.47	2.90	2D	2D
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NaNiAsO <sub>4</sub>	63353	122	0.08	0.50	2D	2D
Na <sub>2</sub> FeVF <sub>7</sub>	401862	188	0.06 (1D) 0.19 (2D)	0.70 (1D) 1.07 (2D)	2D	1D/2D
NaFeF <sub>3</sub>	68981	197	0.77	3.99	3D	3D
Na <sub>3</sub> NiZr(PO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	172807	158	0.23	1.16	3D	3D
Na <sub>4</sub> NiP <sub>2</sub> O <sub>7</sub> F <sub>2</sub>	251666	148	0.13 (1D) 0.15 (2D) 0.31 (3D)	0.59 (1D) 0.80 (2D) 0.85 (3D)	3D	1D/2D/3D
Na <sub>3</sub> V <sub>2</sub> (PO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	248140	198	0.32	1.25	3D	3D
Na <sub>2+x</sub> Fe <sub>2-x</sub> (SO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	252402	189	0.16	1.46	1D	1D
Na <sub>3</sub> V[(PO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> N]	188671	145	0.17	1.35	3D	3D
Na <sub>2</sub> O·11Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> *	67545	-	0.08	0.24	2D	2D

\* - reference materials chosen for comparison

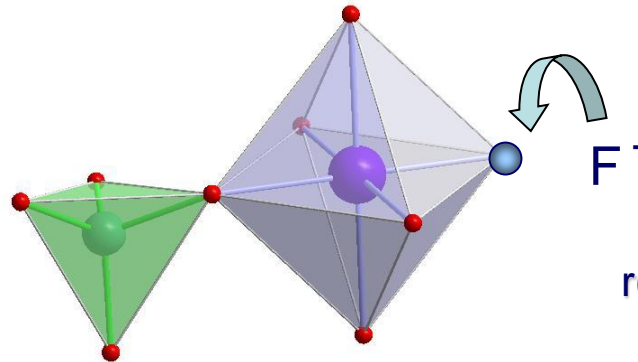


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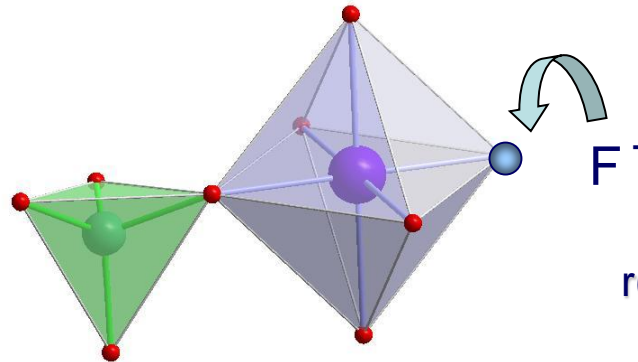
\* A.K. Padhi et al. , *J. Electrochem. Soc.* 144 (1997) 1188

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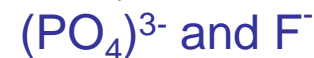


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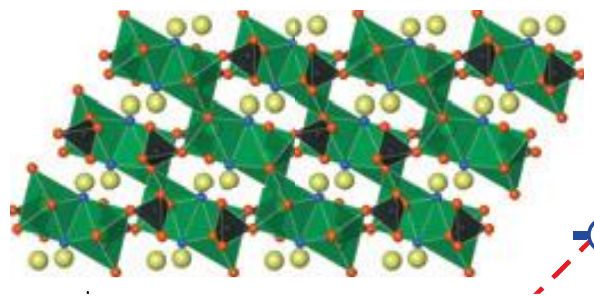
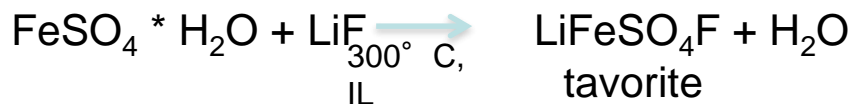
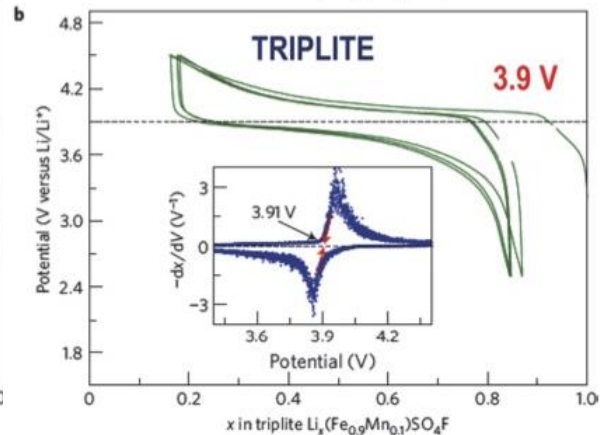
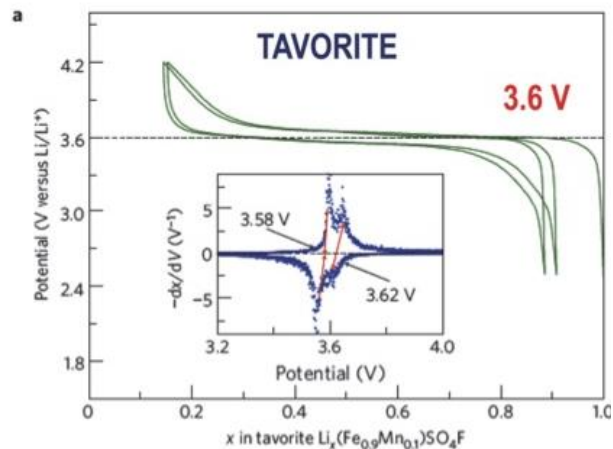
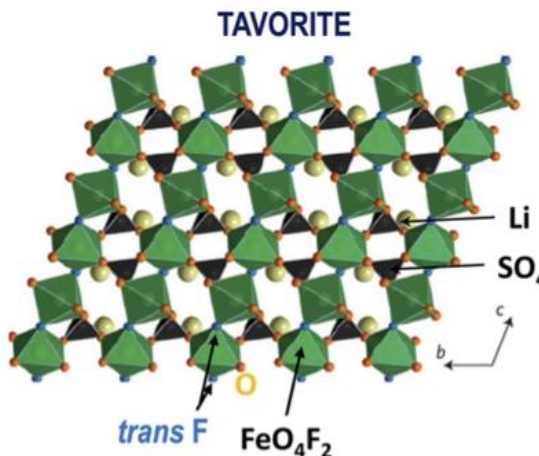
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Compounds with two anions: (XO<sub>m</sub>)<sup>n-</sup> and F<sup>-</sup>

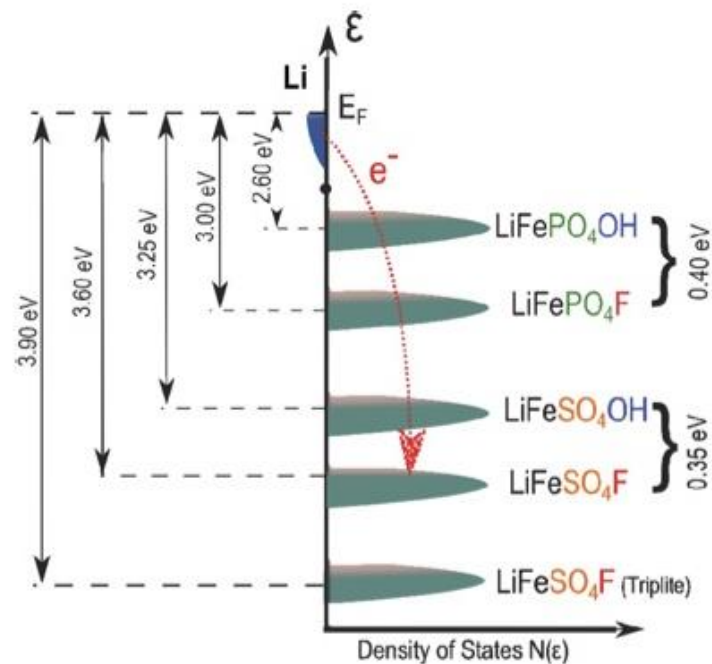


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# Fluoride-sulphates: $\text{LiFeSO}_4\text{F}$



**$\text{LiMn}_{0.05}\text{Fe}_{0.95}\text{SO}_4\text{F}$  - triplite**

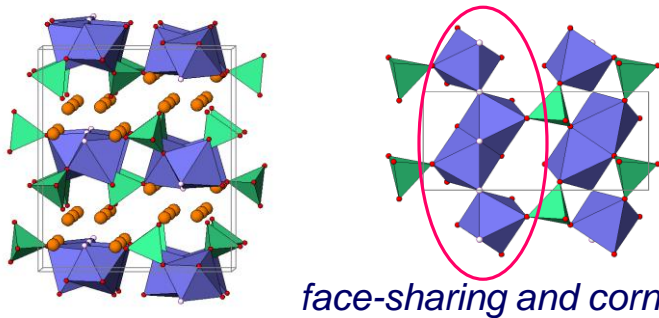


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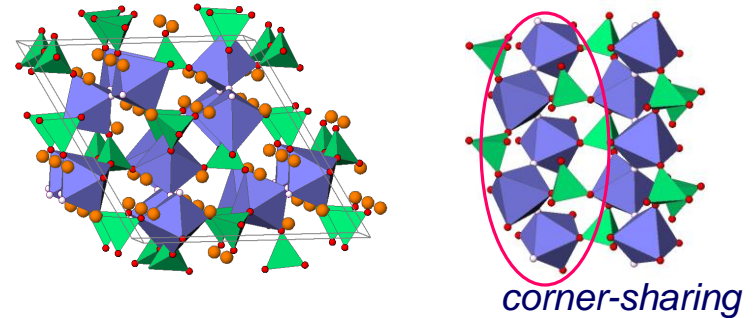
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# Fluoride-phosphates $A_2MPO_4F$

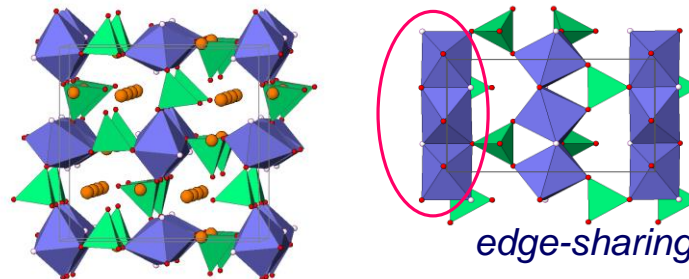
- different conjugation of  $(MO_4F_2)$  octahedra
- different transition metal



face-sharing and corner-sharing



corner-sharing



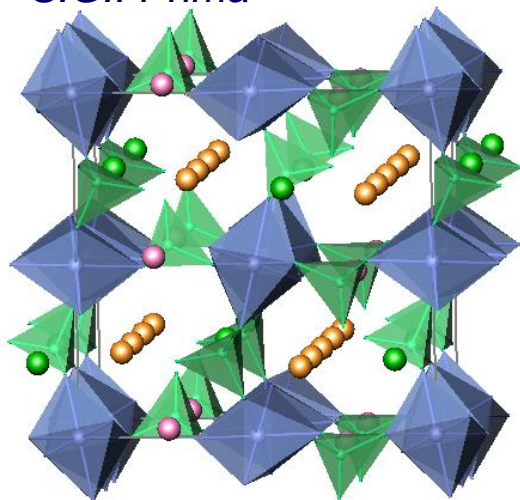
edge-sharing

$C_T \sim 140$  mAh/g for  $M^{2+}/M^{3+}$   
 $C_T \sim 280$  mAh/g for  $M^{2+}/M^{4+}$

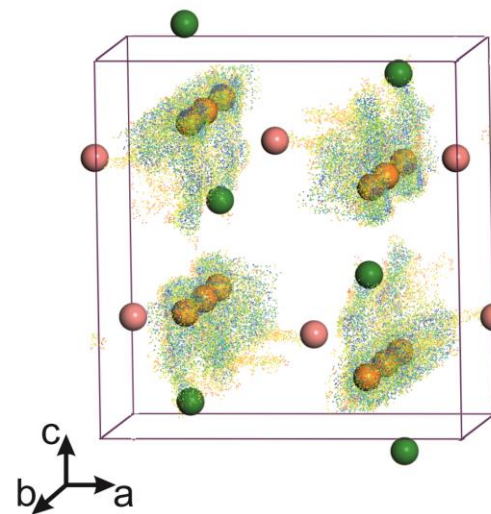
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# 3D-Li<sub>2</sub>CoPO<sub>4</sub>F: crystal structure

S.G.: *Pnma*



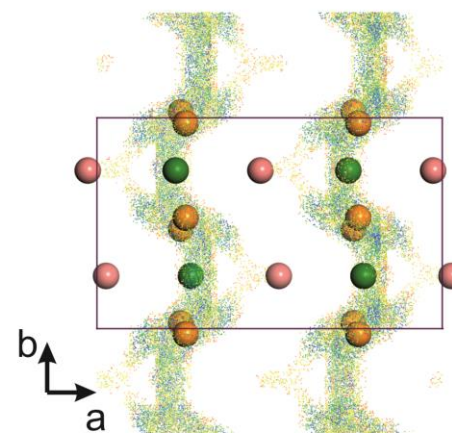
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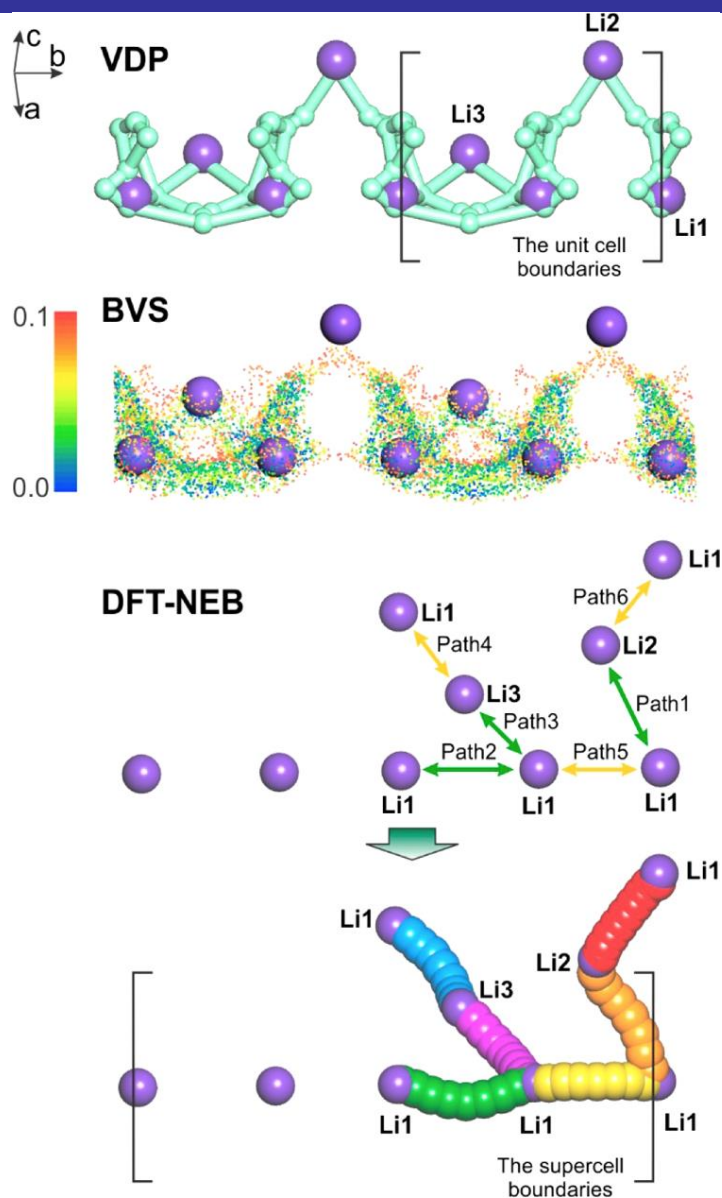
BVS    ion mobility

● - Li1 (8d)	+0.77	+
● - Li2 (4c)	+0.98	?
● - Li3 (4c)	+1.22	-

- 3D structure (thermal and electrochemical stability)
- 1D Li-ion diffusion pathway
- 3 independent Li-positions,  
Li-ion mobility: Li1 > Li2 > Li3

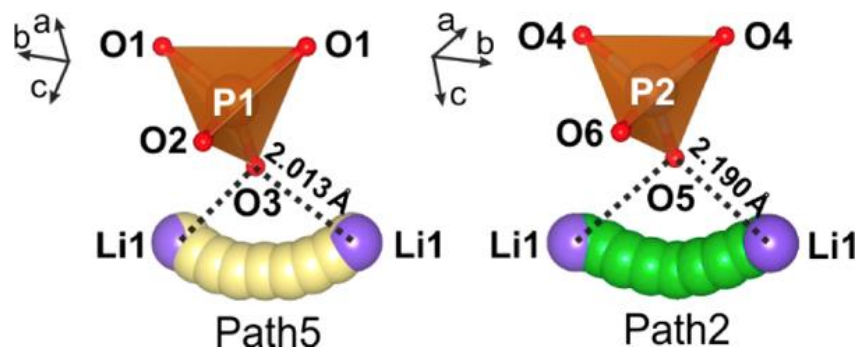


# Diffusion pathways



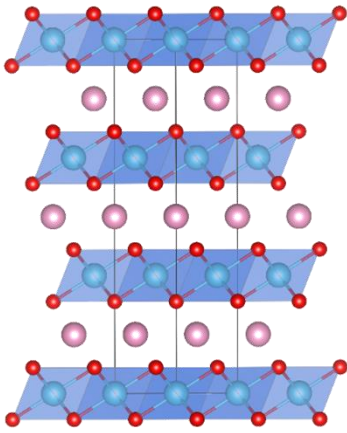
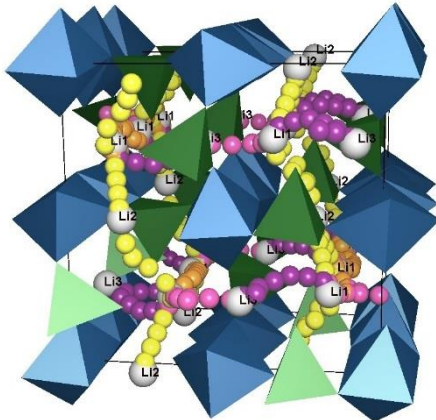
## Activation Energies and Migration Path Lengths in Li<sub>2</sub> CoPO<sub>4</sub> F According to DFT-NEB

N	path length, Å	transition type	E <sub>a</sub> , eV
1	3.677	Li1 → Li2	0.35
<b>2</b>	<b>3.330</b>	<b>Li1 → Li1</b>	<b>0.12</b>
3	3.130	Li3 → Li1	0.43
4	3.110	Li3 → Li1	0.34
<b>5</b>	<b>3.167</b>	<b>Li1 → Li1</b>	<b>0.41</b>
6	2.416	Li1 → Li2	0.37



# Li-ion transport by DFT-NEB

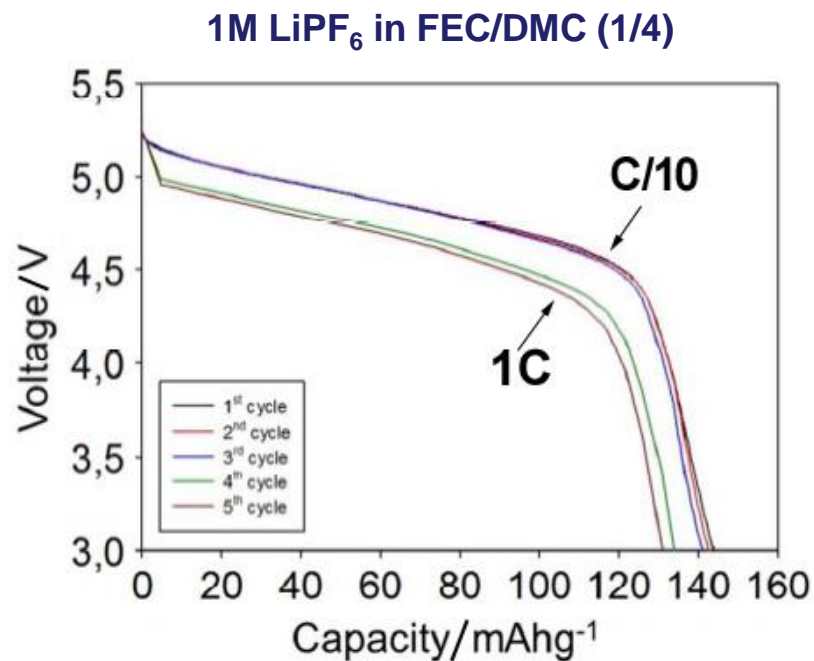
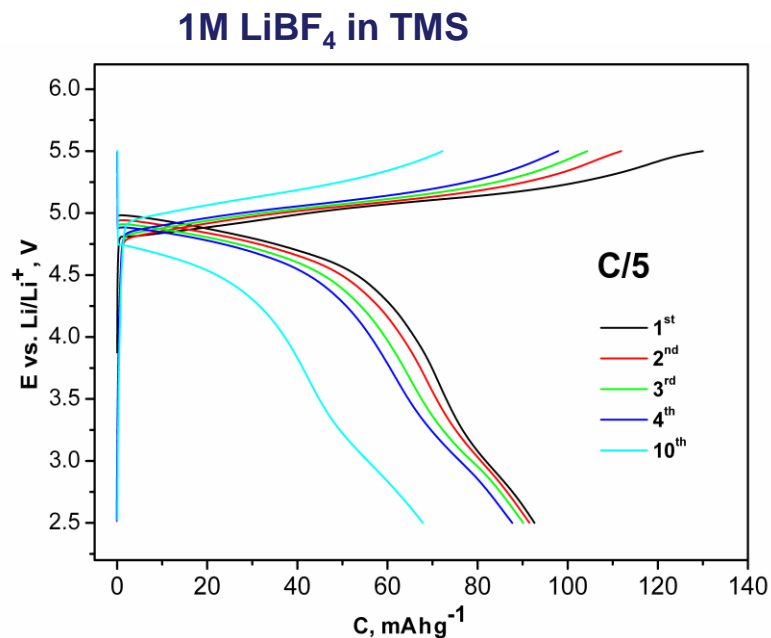
## $\text{Li}_2\text{CoPO}_4\text{F}$ vs $\text{LiCoO}_2$

	$\text{LiCoO}_2$	$\text{Li}_2\text{CoPO}_4\text{F}$
Crystal structure, dimensionality of polyhedral framework	2D 	3D 
Average exp. potential vs Li/Li <sup>+</sup> , V	3.9	~ 5
Theo. capacity/specific energy, mAh·g <sup>-1</sup> / mWh·g <sup>-1</sup>	274 / 1068	143 / 715 (1ē) <b>215 / 1075 (1.5ē)</b>
Exp. capacity/specific energy, mAh·g <sup>-1</sup> / mWh·g <sup>-1</sup>	140 / 545	140 / > 650
<b>Diffusion barrier, eV</b>	<b>0.52</b>	<b>0.12 – 0.42</b>

**More facile diffusion is anticipated for  $\text{Li}_2\text{CoPO}_4\text{F}$**

# Li<sub>2</sub>CoPO<sub>4</sub>F: electrochemical properties

## high-voltage electrolytes

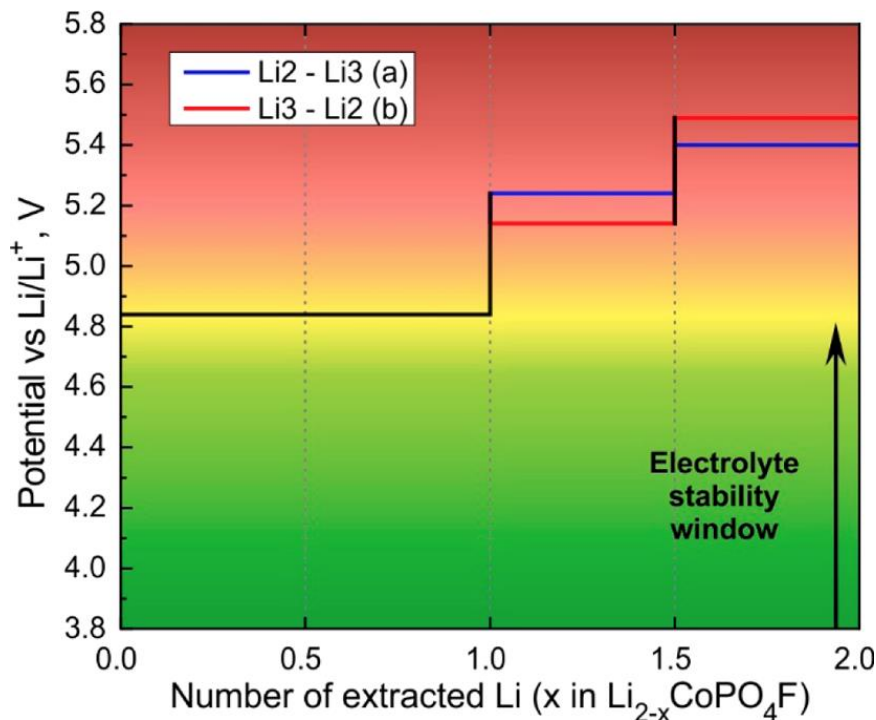


- solid-solution mechanism of Li<sup>+</sup> de/intercalation
- discharge capacity of ~ 140 mAhg<sup>-1</sup> (~1.0 Li<sup>+</sup>)



# $\text{Li}_2\text{CoPO}_4\text{F}$ : electrochemical properties

- Calculated voltage profile (DFT)



involving of Li2(Li3) in diffusion : extraction of 1.5  $\text{Li}^+$  per f.u. ??? At 5.8 V???

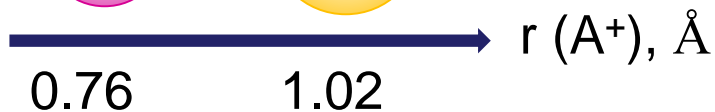
**high-voltage electrolyte !**  
**adjusting the working potential !**

# Li<sub>2</sub>MPO<sub>4</sub>F system: substitution on metal sites



Alkali-metal site

TM site



M	Mn <sup>2+</sup>	Fe <sup>2+</sup>	Co <sup>2+</sup>	Ni <sup>2+</sup>
r, Å	0.83	0.78	0.74	0.69
E* (M <sup>2+</sup> /M <sup>3+</sup> ), V	4.1	3.45	> 4.8	>5.2

\* for olivine-type materials

- narrow range of solid solutions !



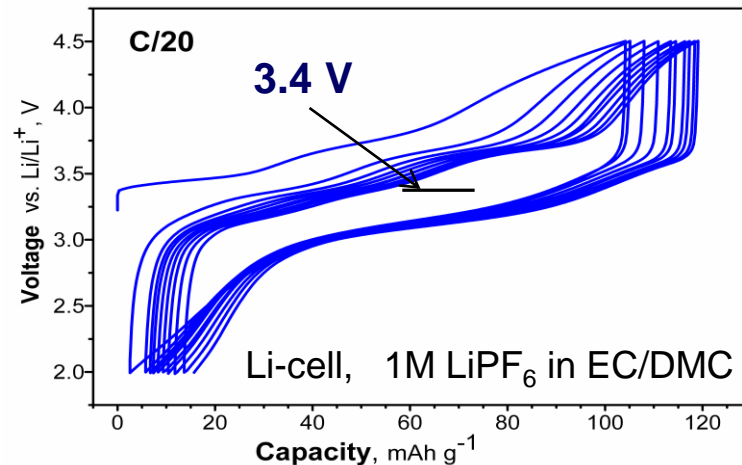
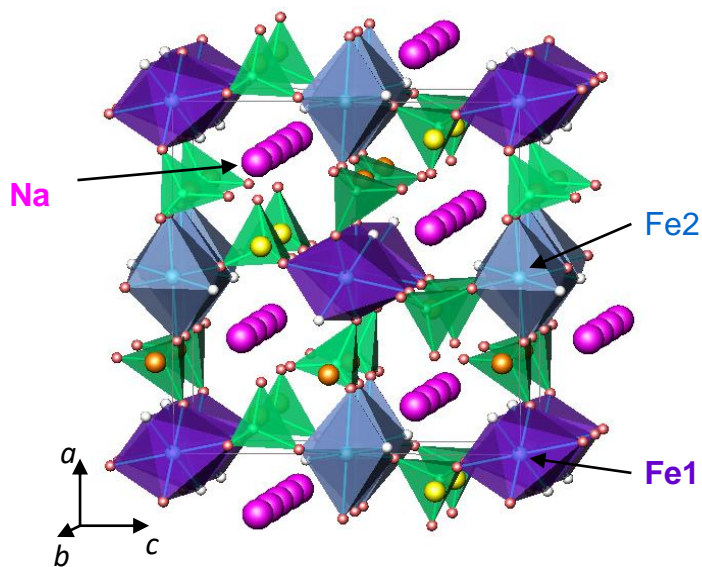
x	Unit cell parameters of Li <sub>2</sub> Co <sub>1-x</sub> Fe <sub>x</sub> PO <sub>4</sub> F			
	a, Å	b, Å	c, Å	V, Å <sup>3</sup>
0	10.455(2)	6.3853(8)	10.8764(2)	726.0(2)
0.1	10.460(2)	6.3907(11)	10.881(2)	727.5(3)
0.3	10.462(2)	6.3971(12)	10.894(2)	729.1(3)



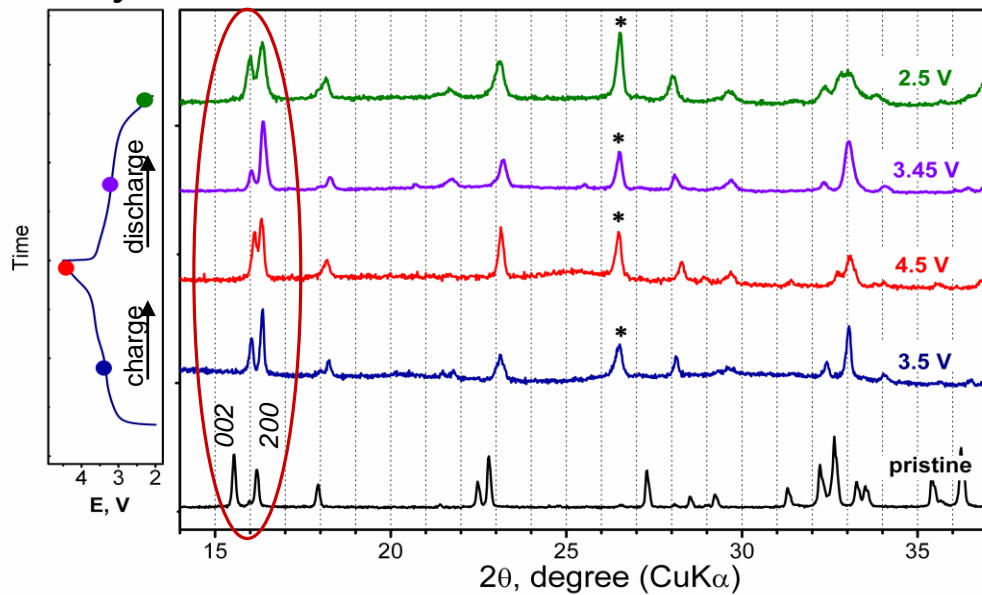
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0.1	10.465(1)	6.3998(9)	10.8975(14)	729.8(2)

“framework elasticity” !

# NaLiFePO<sub>4</sub>F: electrochemical performance

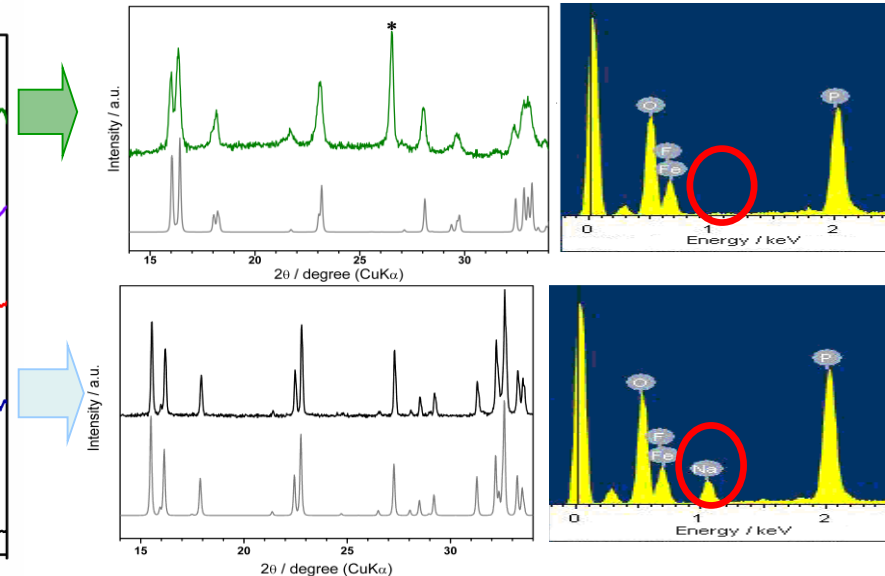


6<sup>th</sup> cycle



formation of 3D- Li<sub>2</sub>FePO<sub>4</sub>F

Simulation



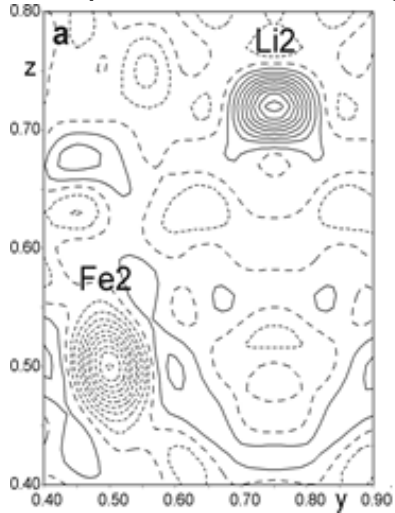
N.R. Khasanova et al., *J. Chem. Mat.* 24 (2012), 4271.

# Li<sub>2</sub>FePO<sub>4</sub>F: ex-situ structure refinement after cycling at 75° C

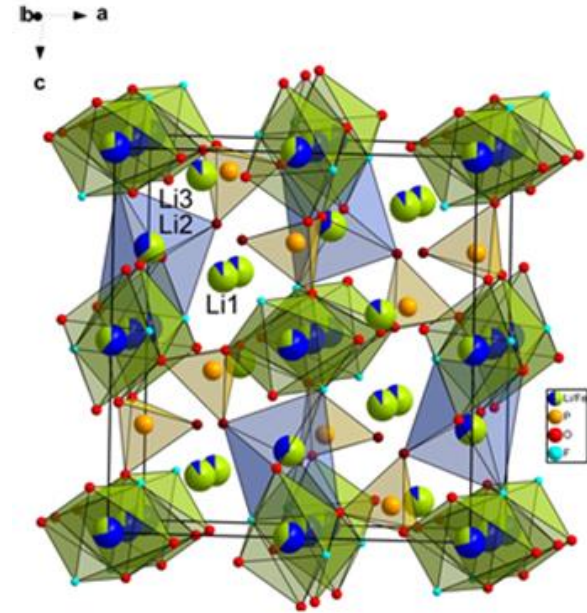
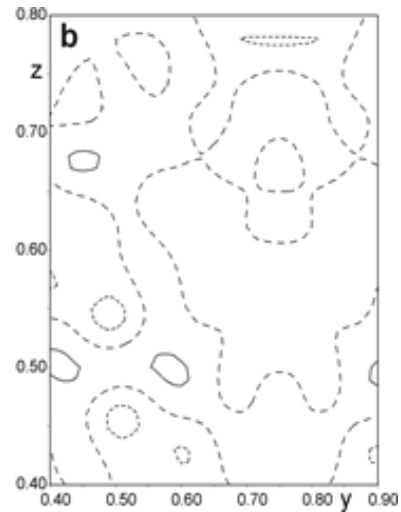
electron diffraction tomography

difference Fourier map:

complete Li/Fe ordering

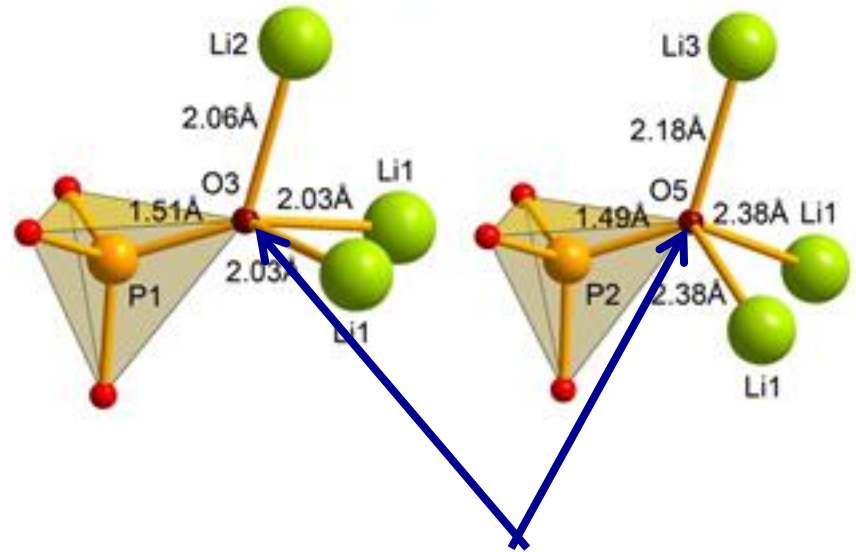
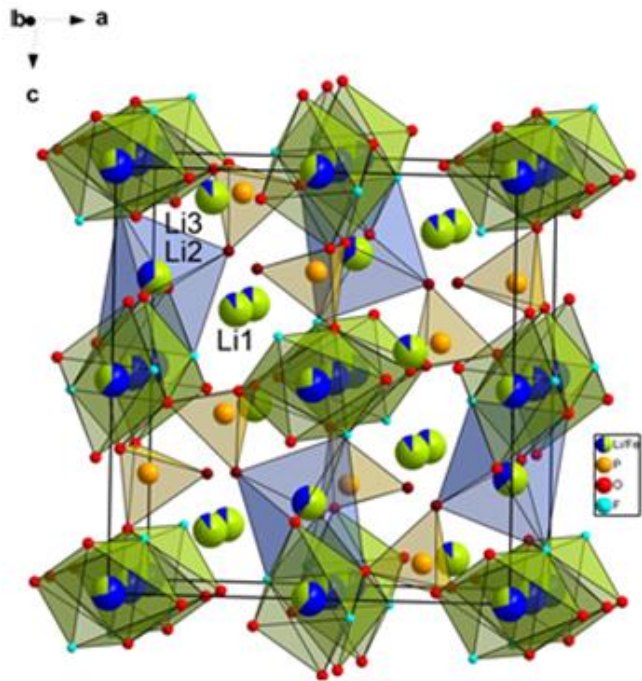


antisite Li/Fe disorder



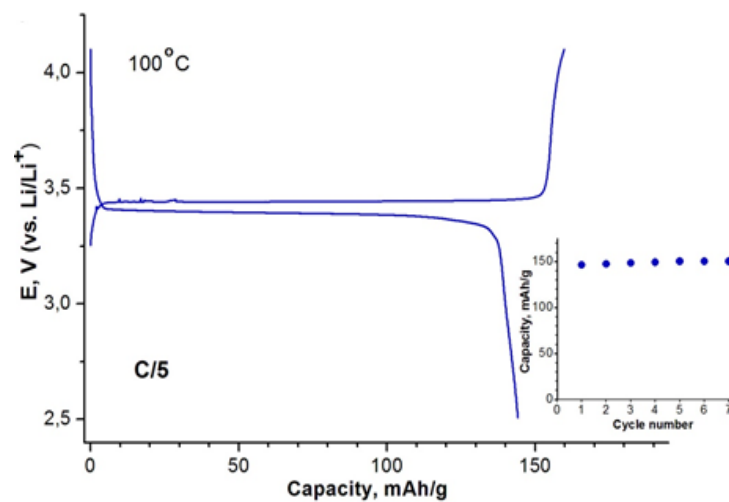
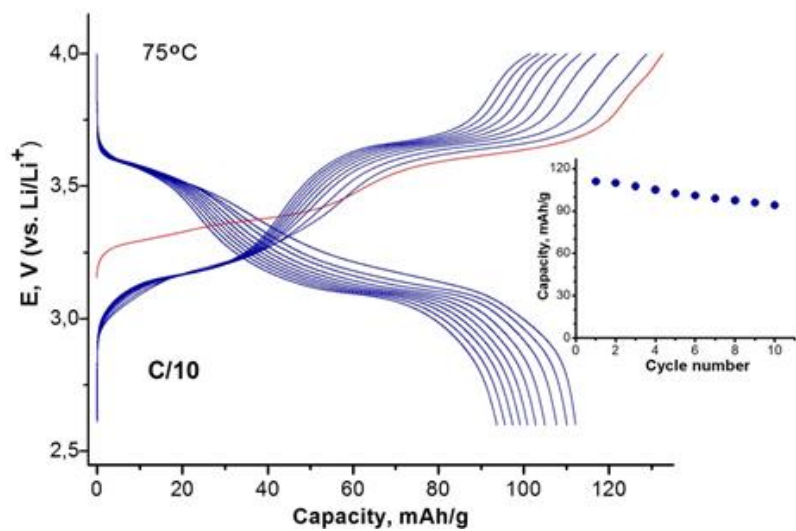
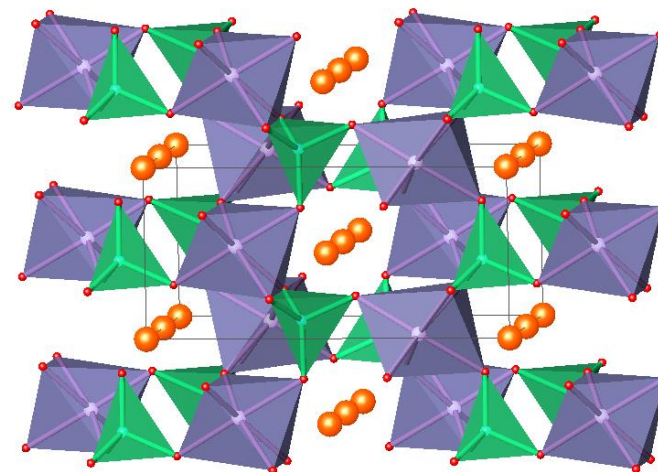
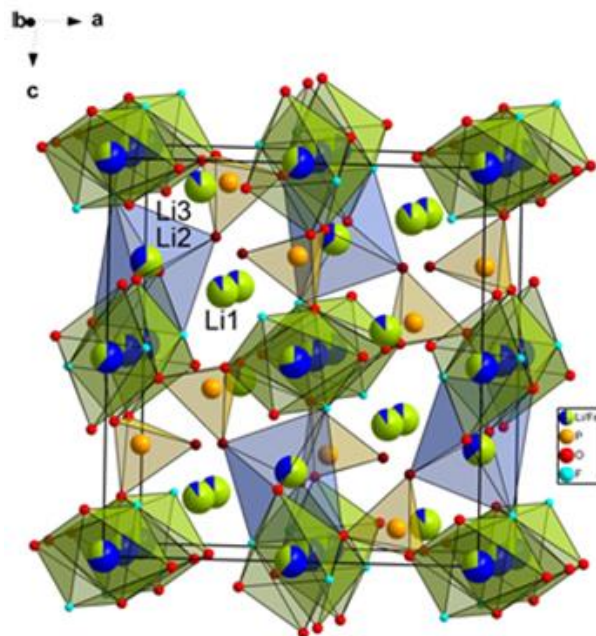
Atom	Position	Occupancy	x/a	y/b	z/c	U <sub>iso</sub> , Å <sup>2</sup>
Li1	8d	0.902(7)Li 0.098(7)Fe	0.748(1)	0.960(2)	0.652(1)	0.0200(7)
Li2	4c	0.64(1)Li 0.36(1)Fe	0.9726(8)	3/4	0.7156(7)	0.0200(7)
Li3	4c	0.88(1)Li 0.12(1)Fe	0.282(1)	1/4	0.575(1)	0.0200(7)
Fe1	4a	0.71(2)Fe 0.29(2)Li	0	0	0	0.0200(7)
Fe2	4b	0.61(1)Fe 0.39(1)Li	0	0	1/2	0.0200(7)

# $\text{Li}_2\text{FePO}_4\text{F}$ : antisite disorder

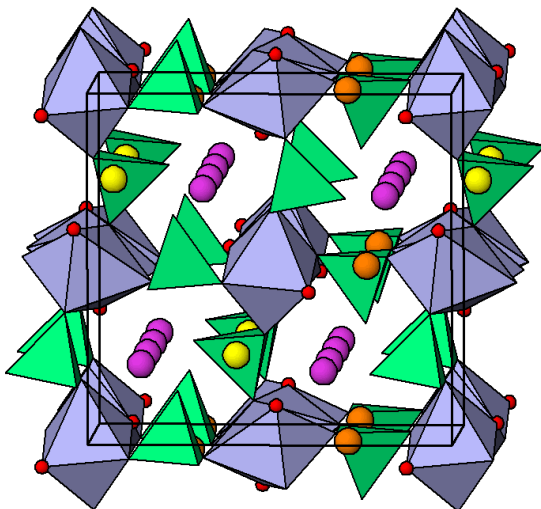


**Heavily underbonded after Li1 deintercalation**

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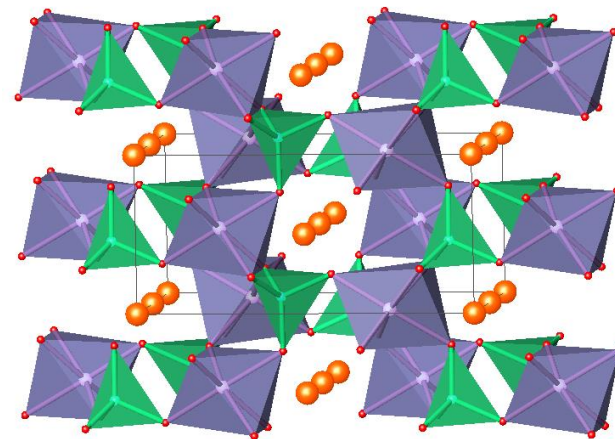


# Comparison: $\text{Li}_2\text{MPO}_4\text{F}$ vs. $\text{LiFePO}_4$



solid solution

$$D_{\text{chem}} \approx 10^{-10} \text{ cm}^2/\text{s}$$



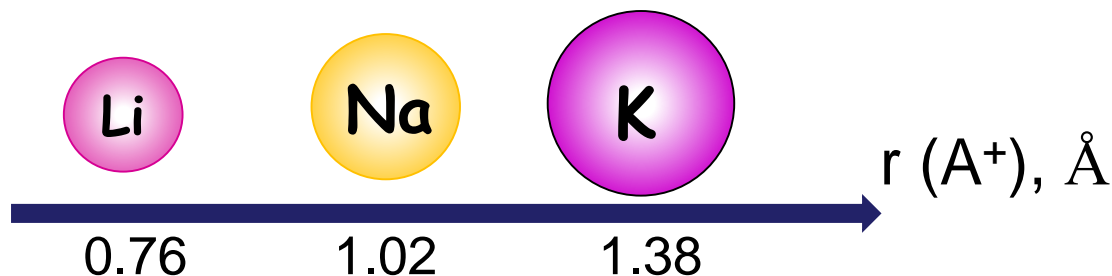
2-phase mechanism

$$\approx 10^{-15} \text{ cm}^2/\text{s}$$

	Co	Fe	
Volume change (%)	~ 4.5 %	1.7%	6.7%
$E_g$ for 1Li (Wh/kg)	<b>730</b>	496	583
$E_g$ for 1.5 Li (Wh/kg)	<b>1095</b>	<b>744</b>	-

**Possibility of  $\text{Fe}^{2+}/\text{Fe}^{4+}$  ?** Ab initio study for  $\text{Li}_2\text{FePO}_4\text{F}$ :  **$\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{4+}$  possible at potentials ~ 5.1 V vs.  $\text{Li}/\text{Li}^+$**

# AMPO<sub>4</sub>F: new cathode materials



## **Background:**

1) Li<sub>1+x</sub>VPO<sub>4</sub>F (avorite structure): 2-electron redox-transition:  
~ 4.2 V(vs. Li<sup>+</sup>/Li) (cathode)      ~1.8 V(vs. Li<sup>+</sup>/Li) (anode)

J.Barker et al. JES (2003)150, A1394

2) Li<sub>1+x</sub>FePO<sub>4</sub>F (avorite structure)  
~ 2.8 V(vs. Li<sup>+</sup>/Li)

N. Recham et al. Chem. Mater. 22 (2010)1142

3) LiFeSO<sub>4</sub>F (avorite structure)  
~ 3.6 V (vs. Li<sup>+</sup>/Li)

N. Recham et al, Nature Mater.9 (2010) 68

4) KFeSO<sub>4</sub>F (**KTP structure**)  
~ 3.7 V (vs. Li<sup>+</sup>/Li)

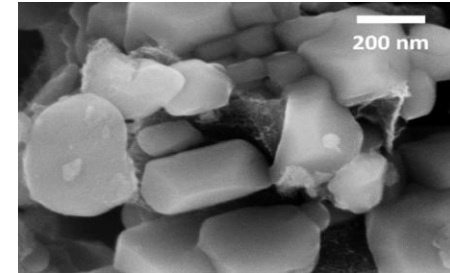
N. Recham et al, Chem. Mater. 24 (2012) 4363

AMPO<sub>4</sub>F with KTP-type structure ???



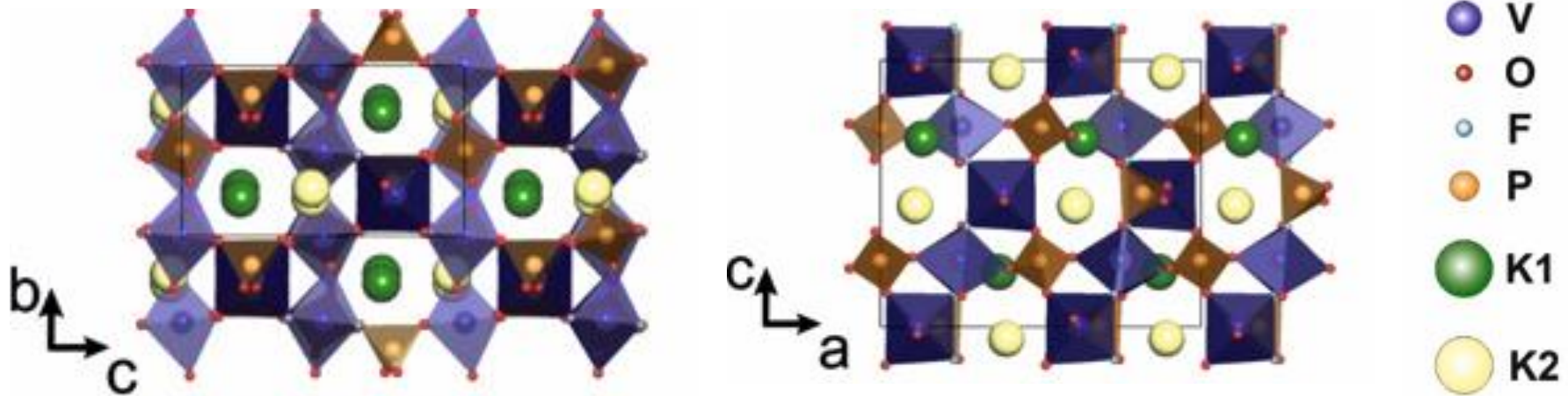
# AVPO<sub>4</sub>F (A = Li, K)

- **Synthesis** at 600° C, Ar-flow for 1h  
 $\text{VPO}_4 + \text{KHF}_2 \rightarrow \text{KVPO}_4\text{F}$

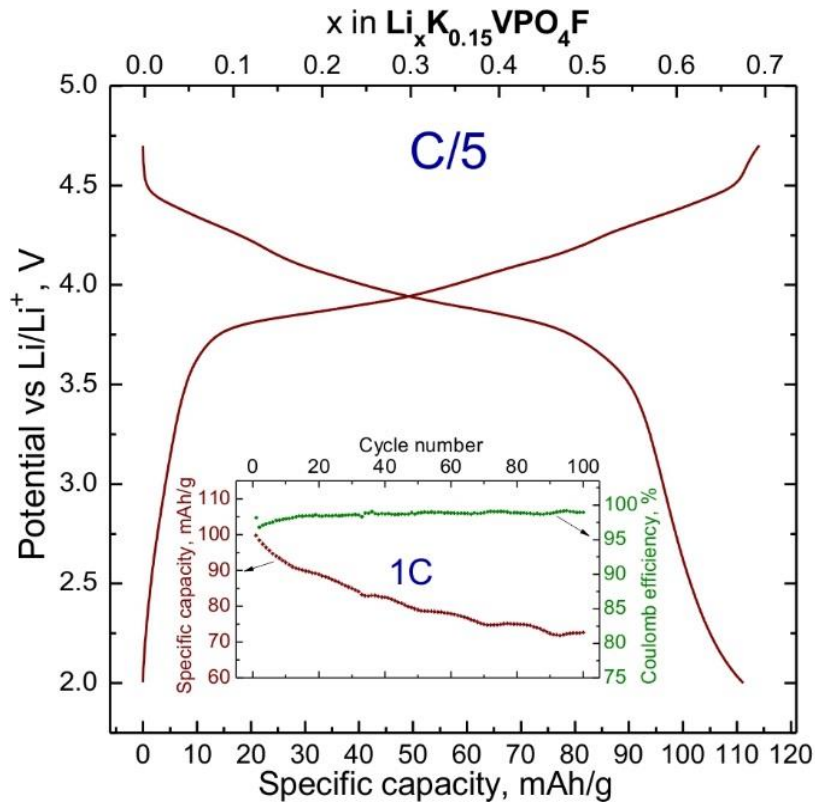


- **Structure**

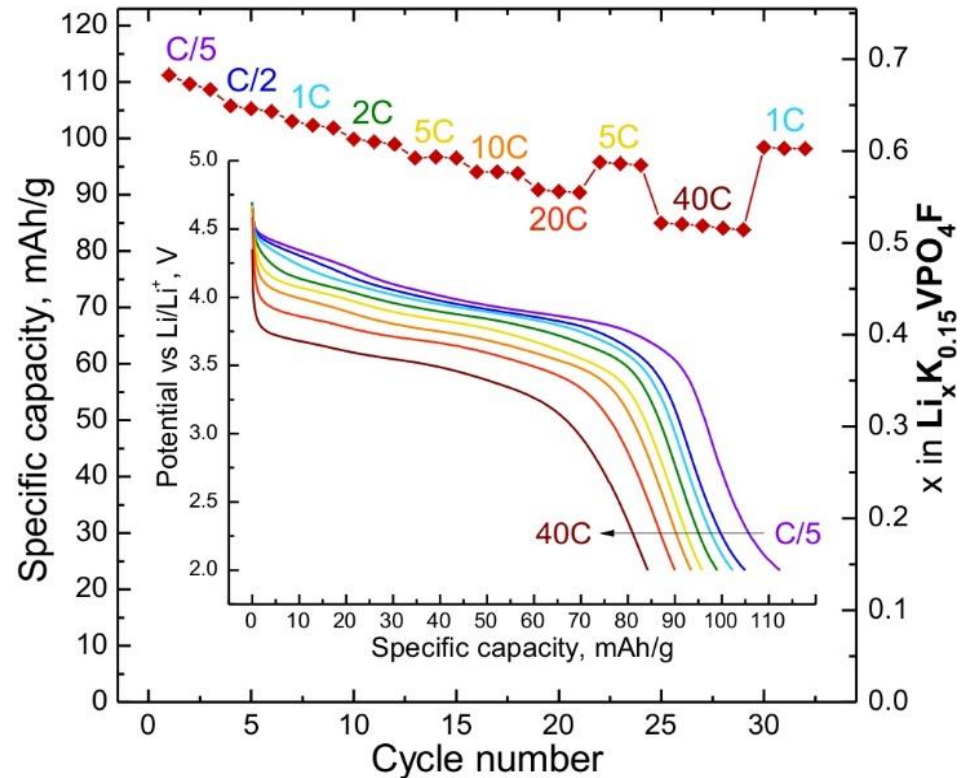
S.G. #33 *Pna2*<sub>1</sub>,  $a = 12.8200(3) \text{ \AA}$ ,  $b = 6.3952(1) \text{ \AA}$ ,  $c = 10.6115(2) \text{ \AA}$



# AVPO<sub>4</sub>F (A = Li, K): cycling behaviour



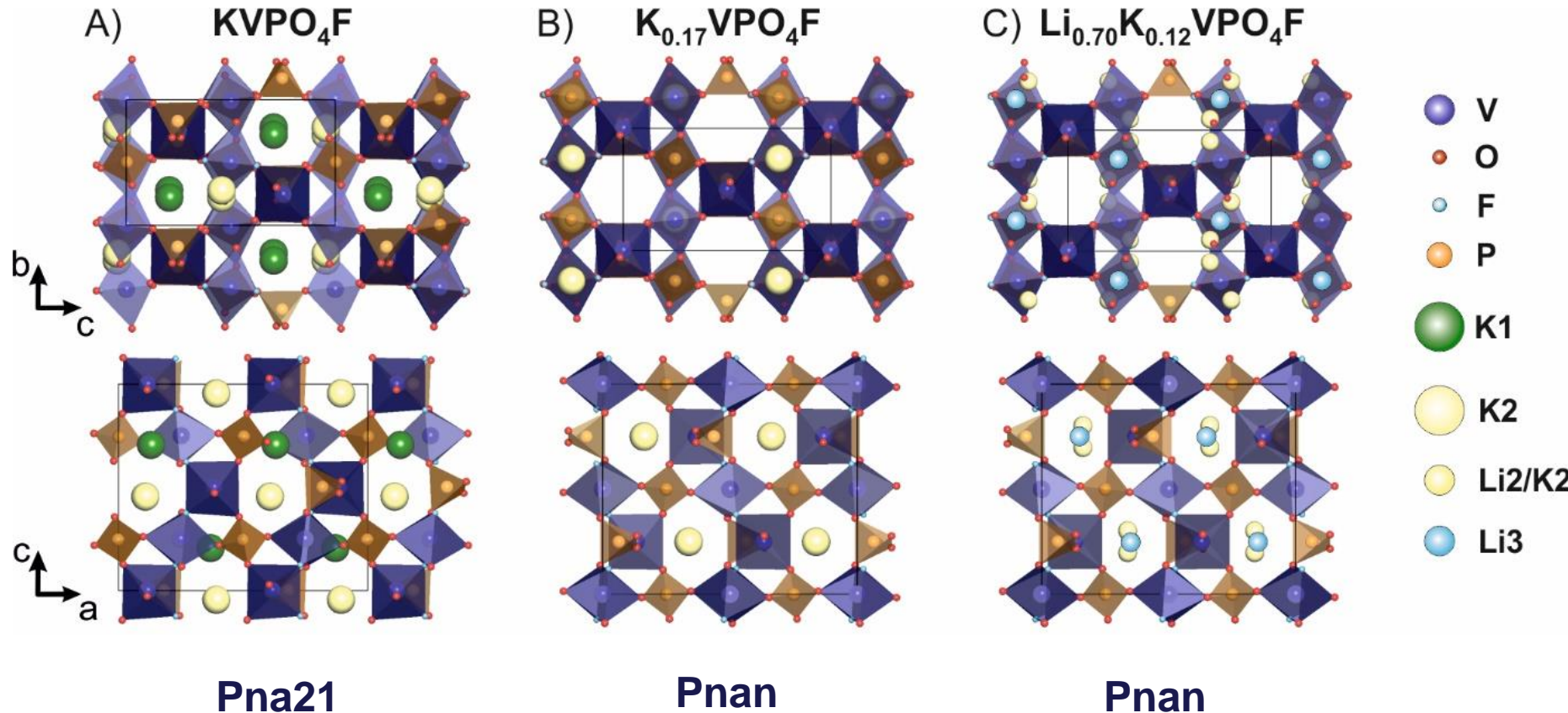
A charge-discharge curve of  $\text{Li}_x\text{K}_{0.15}\text{VPO}_4\text{F}$  at C/5. The inset - the capacity retention and Coulomb efficiency in the cycling at 1C rate



C-rates capability upon cycling and discharge curves of  $\text{Li}_x\text{K}_{0.15}\text{VPO}_4\text{F}$

**A remarkable capacity retention at 40C maintaining more than 50% of theoretical (156 mAh/g) or 75% of initial specific capacity**

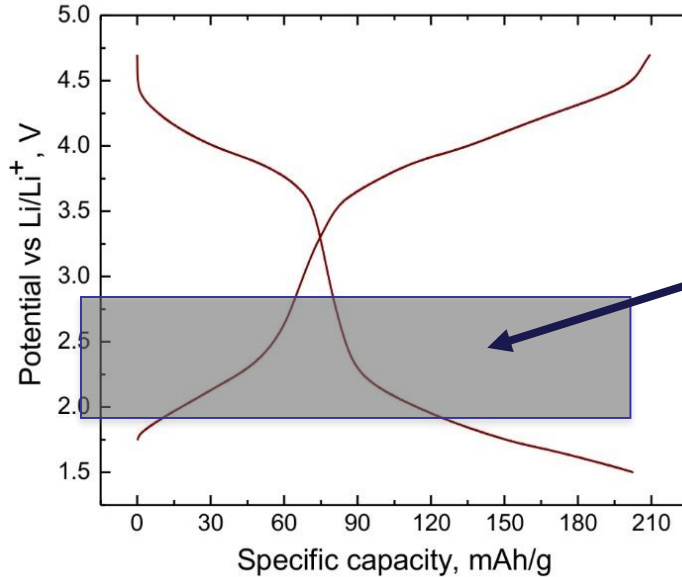
# Structural transformations: “depotassiated” and lithiated forms



**Volume variation among all phases is less than 2.2% !!!**

# More Li... or what's next?

## I. Low-voltage domain:

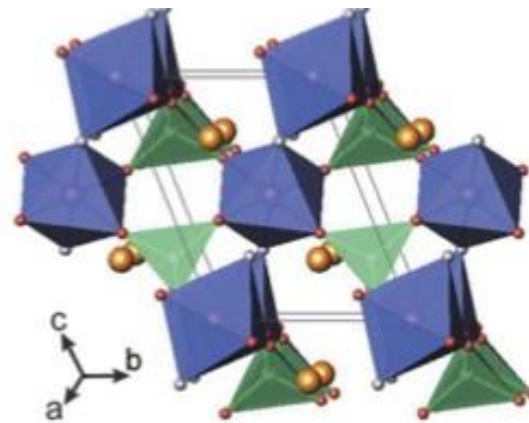
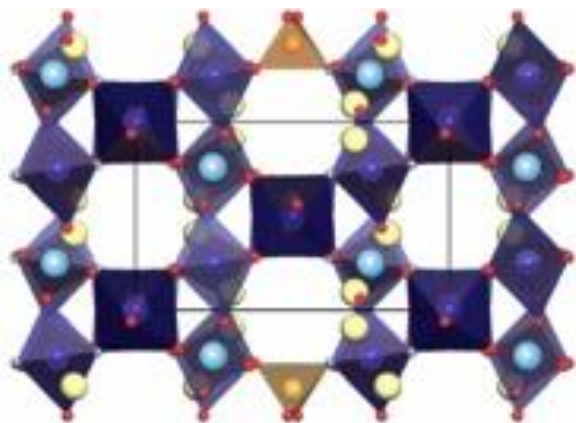


Second Li<sup>+</sup> ?  
V<sup>3+</sup>/V<sup>2+</sup> ?

Theo. capacity (2 Li<sup>+</sup>)  
~300 mAh/g !

**The goal:**  
increasing both potential and capacity

# $\text{AVPO}_4\text{F}$ (A = Li, K): comparison of KTP and tavorite structures for LIB



$E_g$  624 Wh/kg  
 $E_v$  ~2000 Wh/l  
 $\Delta V$  ~2%  
**Mechanism** Solid solution

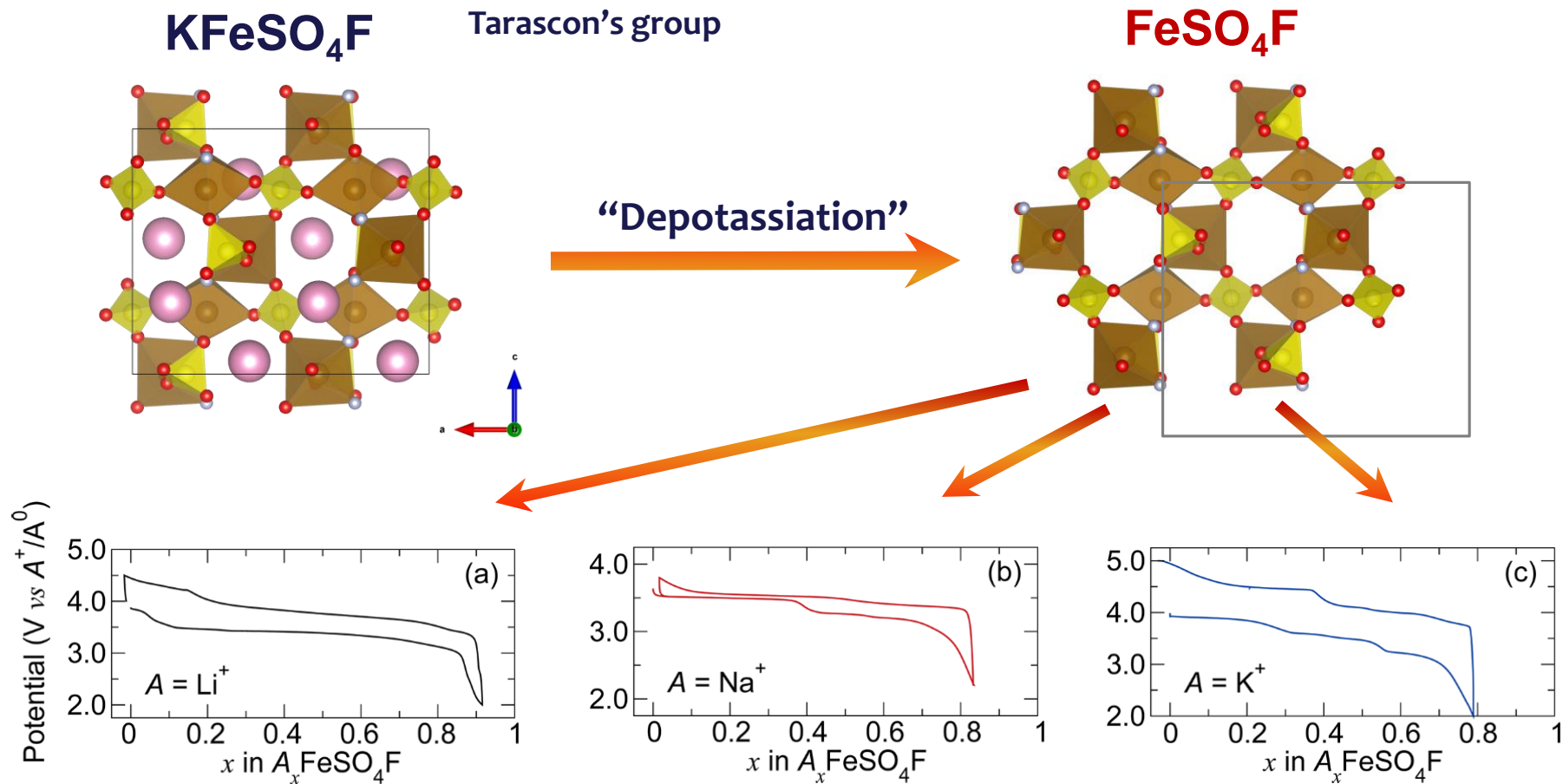
655 Wh/kg  
2140 Wh/l  
8.5%  
Two phase

**Perspective cathode material  
for high-power batteries**

**Both materials can be used in symmetrical cell**

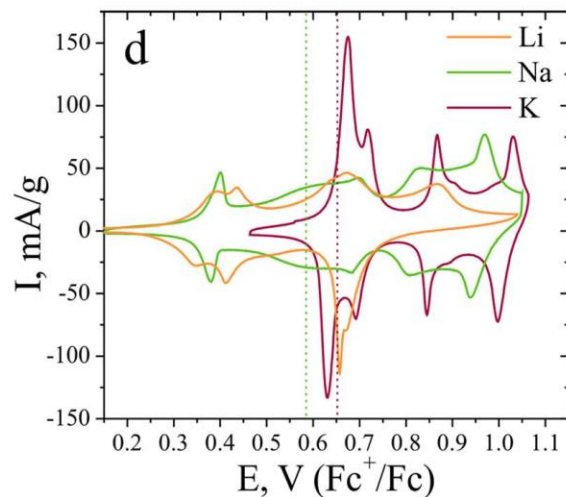
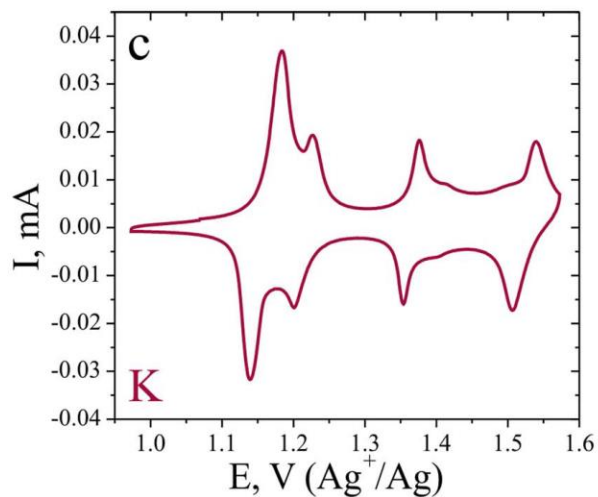
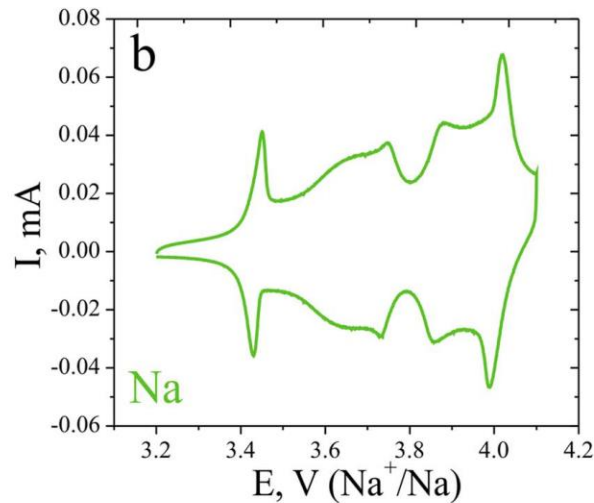
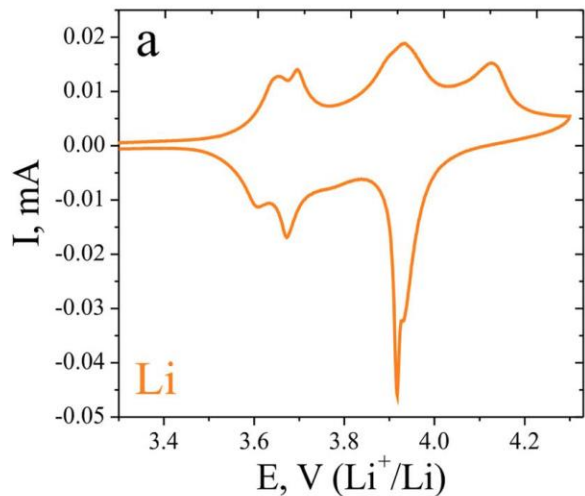
# KTP-type fluoride-sulfate framework

Recham, N. et al *Chem. Mater.* 2012, 24, 4363–4370.



**Versatility of the KTP framework!**

# KVPO<sub>4</sub>F against Li, Na and K



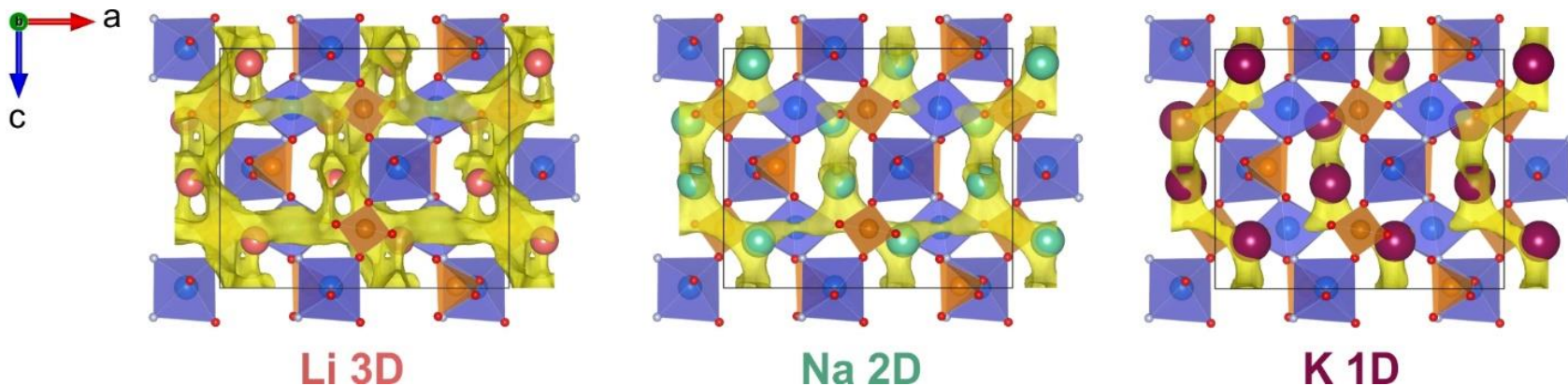
**3-electrode cell configuration**

**Electrolyte:**  
1M APF6 or ACIO4  
in EC/DEC

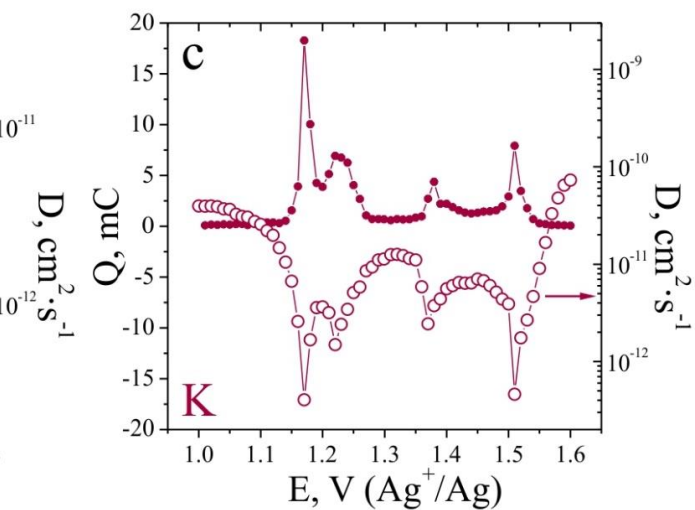
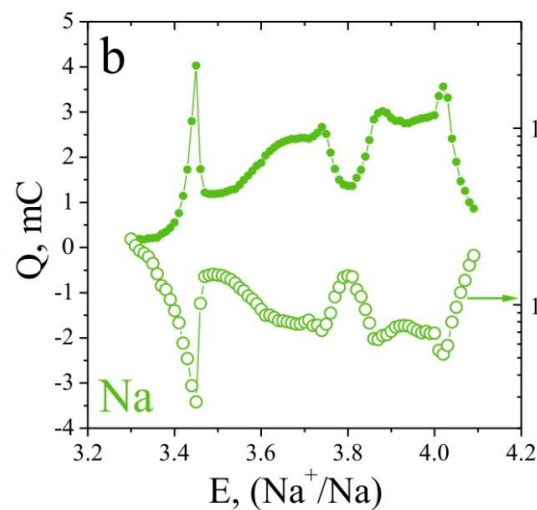
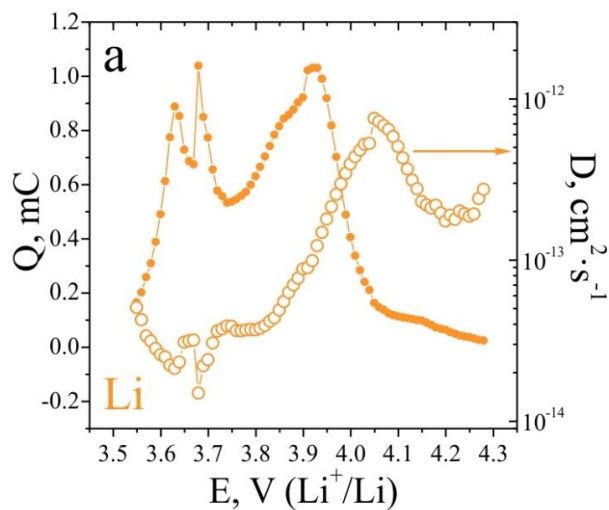
**Counter electrodes:**  
Li, Na or AgCl/Ag

# Alkali ion diffusion

## Bond Valence Energy Landscapes



From PITT:  $D(\text{Li}) < D(\text{Na}) < D(\text{K}) \approx 10^{-13} - 4 \cdot 10^{-11} \text{ cm}^2 \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$  :





# Fluoride-phosphates based Me-ion battery prototypes



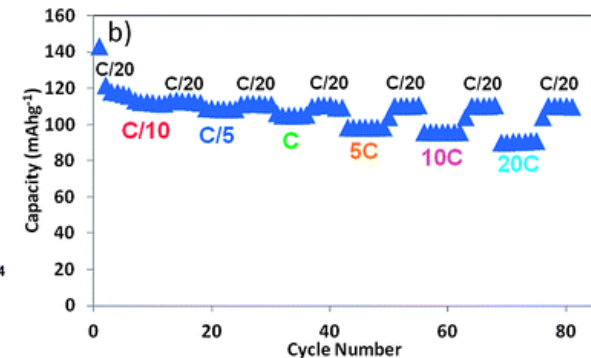
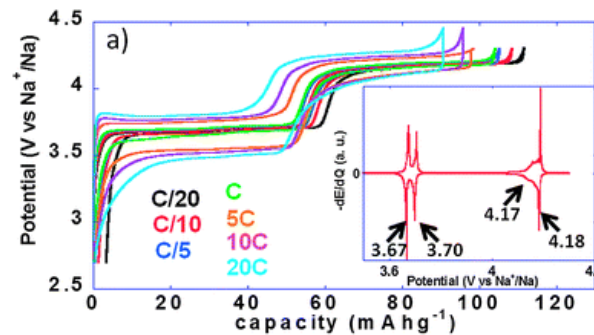
The french network on electrochemical energy storage

$\text{Na}_3\text{V}_2(\text{PO}_4)_2\text{F}_3$  / Hard carbon

110 Wh/kg 18650 Na-ion battery



<http://www.energie-rs2e.com/en/news/na-ion-batteries-promising-prototype>



A. Ponrouch et al, Energy Environ. Sci., 2013,6, 2361-2369

**IBA-2016 meeting in Nantes, France:**

**RS2E announced a new 3.8 V  $\text{LiVPO}_4\text{F}$  Li-ion battery prototype (outperforming  $\text{LiFePO}_4$  based Li-ion battery)**

**Fluoride phosphates are commercially viable cathode materials!**

**Na-ion batteries are coming on the market!!! KIB?**

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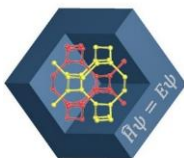
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